

L'Ecole

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TOP AWARDS AND REVIEWS

2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley

93 PTS

Decanter, Owen Bargreen - August 2021

A glorious 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon, you are immediately struck by the rich sagebrush and anise tones on the nose, with a great wall of dark fruits holding everything in place. The palate is very smooth with refined tannins that mingle with black raspberry cordial, cigar box, blackcurrants and chocolate covered espresso bean flavours. The long finish lingers. Drinking Window 2022 - 2038.

92 PTS, CELLAR SELECTION

Wine Enthusiast, Sean Sullivan - August 2021

Barrel aromas are at the fore initially, with notes of roasted coffee bean, vanilla, chocolate and char in front of plum and cherry. Plump, juicy fruit and barrel flavors follow, with the tannins providing a pleasing squeeze. Give it additional time in the bottle or decant to see it at its best. Best after 2024.

91 PTS

JebDunnuck.com, Jeb Dunnuck - May 2021

All varietal and brought up in 25% new oak, the 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Columbia Valley offers lots of typicity in its ripe blackcurrants, smoked tobacco, chocolate, and violet-tinged aromas and flavors. With medium-bodied richness, wonderful purity of fruit, no hard edges, and a clean, classy, elegant style, it's well worth seeking out and I suspect will keep for 10-12 years.

90 PTS

Wine Spectator, Tim Fish - February 2022

Svelte and well-defined, with currant, black olive and stony mineral accents that build toward fine-grained tannins. Drink now through 2028.

COMPETITIONS

Santé International Wine & Spirits, 2021

Silver