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CRITICS RETROSPECTIVE


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98 **2002 Hourglass Cabernet Sauvignon**
...Boasting more perfume, a bigger attack and mid-palate as well as greater length and intensity, this beautiful Cabernet reveals notes of camphor intermixed with black currants, cherries, licorice, cedar, and minerals...

96 **2013 Hourglass Cabernet Sauvignon**
...This amazing example is one of the great Hourglass wines made to date and should drink well for 25 or more years...

95+ **2012 Hourglass Cabernet Sauvignon**
The most expensive offering, the 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon is fashioned from the estate's 22-year-old, 100% Cabernet Sauvignon vines, and is aged in 90% new French oak...

95 **2001 Hourglass Cabernet Sauvignon**
In recent tastings, the 2001 Cabernet Sauvignon performed even better than my lofty review in December, 2003. An extraordinary wine...

95 **2006 Hourglass Cabernet Sauvignon**
...A dense purple color and a sweet nose of licorice, black currants, smoke, cedar, and some high-class subtle oak in the background... This is a beauty that can be drunk now or cellared for 20 or more years.

- Robert M. Parker, Jr.

WINE ENTHUSIAST

95 **Hourglass 2013 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (Napa Valley)**
An extremely dark color sets an expectation of concentration, and this full-bodied but velvet-textured wine delivers it... The wine tastes exceptionally rich but not heavy.

95 **Hourglass 2012 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (Napa Valley)**
A deep color and aromas of toasted baguette, wood smoke and black cherry signal a classic style. The flavors are like dark-chocolate-covered cherries and cranberries...

95 **Hourglass 2012 Blueline Estate Merlot (Napa Valley)**
Serious but oh-so-delicious at the same time, this wine can be poured now or cellared through at least 2020 for more interesting nuances to emerge...

94 **Hourglass 2013 Blueline Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (Napa Valley)**
This calmly seductive wine has a deep, dark color, absolutely gorgeous fruit, wood smoke and baking spice aromas and a gentle texture...

93 **Hourglass 2012 Blueline Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon (Napa Valley)**
An inky-deep color with a dark red rim hints at the concentration. Enticing aromas from the spice rack, milk chocolate and vanilla lead to meltingly rich fruit...

- Jim Gordon

Wine Spectator

97 **Hourglass Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2006**

A stunning, seductive style that features layers of creamy oak, dried currant, plum and mocha... -JL

97 **Hourglass Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley Blueline Vineyard 2006**

This Cabernet captures the full-bodied richness, power, finesse and grace of the grape, delivering an up-front, exotic display of ripe currant, blackberry, wild berry, plum, olive, cedar and spice, with an espresso finish that sails on and on... -JL

94 **Hourglass Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2012**

Puts the core fruitiness front and center, with a distinctive mix of wild berry, boysenberry and raspberry that gushes opulently, shaded by creamy, toasty, mocha-laced fruit. Ends with a cascade of flavor... -JL

94 **Hourglass Merlot Napa Valley Blueline Vineyard 2010**

This rich and fleshy red offers bold aromas of black cherry and toasty oak, with ripe, plush currant, mocha and spice flavors... -TF

93 **Hourglass Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2013**

Plush and expansive, with a chewy core of wild berry, raspberry and black cherry fanning out, offering splashes of cedar, tobacco, dried herb and savory, earthy flavors... -JL

93 **Hourglass Merlot Napa Valley Blueline Vineyard 2008**

Sleek and plush, yet layered with delicate complexity. Aromas of black cherry and toasty vanilla oak lead to tempting flavors of plum, dusty mocha, espresso and tomato leaf... -TF

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96 **Hourglass 2013 36-24-36 Blueline Estate Red Wine, Calistoga, Napa Valley**

A dense, opulent wine... Inky and unctuous to the core, with fabulous overall balance, the 2013 hits the palate with notable intensity...

96 **Hourglass 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate, St. Helena, Napa Valley**

Big, bold and dramatic... Distinctive notes of mint and eucalyptus open up first, followed by a bevy of red stone fruit, iron, smoke, incense and exotic spices... a very beautiful wine in its own extroverted way. There is no shortage of personality...

94 **Hourglass 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon Blueline, Calistoga, Napa Valley**

...The 2013 has softened quite a bit over the last year, which has allowed the opulence and intensity of the fruit to emerge more fully...

- Antonio Galloni