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| TOR WINES | 2014 | CHARDONNAY DURELL VYD. | SONOMA COAST | (\$60.00) | WHITE | 94 |
| TOR WINES | 2014 | CHARDONNAY TORCHIANA BERESINI VYD. | NAPA | (\$60.00) | WHITE | 95 |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | CHARDONNAY HYDE VYD. | NAPA | (\$60.00) | WHITE | 93 |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | CHARDONNAY DURELL VYD. | SONOMA COAST | (\$60.00) | WHITE | 94 |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | CHARDONNAY TORCHIANA BERESINI VYD. | NAPA | (\$60.00) | WHITE | 96 |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | CHARDONNAY RESERVE CUVÉE SUSAN | NAPA | (\$84.00) | WHITE | 96 |
| TOR WINES | 2014 | CABERNET SAUVIGNON HERB LAMB VYD. | NAPA | (\$175.00) | RED | 94 |
| TOR WINES | 2014 | PROPRIETARY RED | OAKVILLE | (\$175.00) | RED | 95+ |
| TOR WINES | 2014 | CABERNET SAUVIGNON TIERRA ROJA | OAKVILLE | (\$150.00) | RED | 95 |
| TOR WINES | 2014 | CABERNET SAUVIGNON BECKSTOFFER TO KALON VYD. | OAKVILLE | (\$175.00) | RED | 96 |
| TOR WINES | 2014 | CABERNET SAUVIGNON MELANSON VYD. | PRITCHARD HILL | (\$200.00) | RED | 94 |
| TOR WINES | 2014 | CABERNET SAUVIGNON CIMAROSSA VYD. | HOWELL MTN. | (\$150.00) | RED | 93+ |
| TOR WINES | 2014 | CABERNET SAUVIGNON EAST MEETS WEST | OAKVILLE | (\$175.00) | RED | 97 |
| TOR WINES | 2014 | BLACK MAGIC PROPRIETARY RED | NAPA | (\$325.00) | RED | 99 |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | PROPRIETARY RED | OAKVILLE | (not yet released) | RED | (96-100) |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | CABERNET SAUVIGNON TIERRA ROJA | OAKVILLE | (not yet released) | RED | (94-96) |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | CABERNET SAUVIGNON BECKSTOFFER TO KALON VYD. | OAKVILLE | (not yet released) | RED | (96-100) |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | CABERNET SAUV. BFD BECKSTOFFER TO KALON VYD. | OAKVILLE | (not yet released) | RED | (94-96) |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | CABERNET SAUVIGNON MELANSON VYD. | PRITCHARD HILL | (not yet released) | RED | (95-98) |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | BLACK MAGIC PROPRIETARY RED | NAPA | (not yet released) | RED | (98-100) |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | PETITE SIRAH PALISADES VYD. | NAPA | (not yet released) | RED | (92-94) |
| TOR WINES | 2015 | SYRAH LA HERRADURA | CONN VALLEY | (not yet released) | RED | (90-92) |

Tor Kenward is using his vast experience in the wine industry and impressive palate to find exceptional *terroirs* and produce fascinating wines that merit serious attention. His winemaking guru is Jeff Ames, who makes his own wines under the RADIUS label. A brilliant Chardonnay is the Old Wente clonal selection from a higher part of the Durell Vineyard, the **2014 Chardonnay Durell Vineyard**. This wine shows tremendously dense fruit, buttered citrus, plenty of honeysuckle, a hint of pineapple and white peach, with great intensity and a full-bodied mouthfeel. It is a beauty to drink over the next 5-7 years. A real brilliant effort as well is the **2014 Chardonnay Torchiana Beresini Vineyard**. This is a dry-farmed, 3-acre vineyard block that was 30 years old in 2014, which is planted with Larry Hyde's selection of the Wente clone. This is a killer Chardonnay that is showing even better than it was last year. Crushed rock/wet gravel intermixed with orange marmalade, white peach, pineapple and honeysuckle are all present in this full-bodied, dense and concentrated Chardonnay. I wouldn't be surprised to see this Chardonnay evolve for 6-10 years.

The 2015 Chardonnays, which are concentrated and generally made from smaller yields are slightly even more impressive than Tor Kenward's 2014 Chardonnays. The **2015 Chardonnay Hyde Vineyard** shows the fatness and succulence this vintage seems to have produced routinely at top *terroirs*. Terrific honeysuckle, pineapple, peach and caramelized citrus are all present in this full-bodied Chardonnay with great acidity and more depth than the 2014. Drink now-2022. The **2015 Chardonnay Durell Vineyard** offers subtle pineapple, peach, apricot and honeysuckle, but always seems to have more rocky, wet gravel minerality to it. It is full-bodied dense and rich and should drink nicely for 5-7 years. Absolutely spectacular is the **2015 Chardonnay Torchiana Beresini Vineyard**. This is an outrageous Chardonnay with great acidity, super-duper concentration with notes of white currants, orange blossoms, caramelized citrus, honeysuckle, brioche and crème brûlée. Intense and spectacularly pure, this full-bodied classic should age nicely for 7-8 years. The same could be said for the **2015 Chardonnay Reserve Cuvée Susan**, which is the best barrels and only the second time Tor Kenward has released this wine. This is somewhat reminiscent of the Torchiana, perhaps slightly more smoked hazelnuts in it, but it exhibits great acidity, terrific fruit intensity and a long, full-bodied finish. It should drink well for 7-8 years.

Kenward has an impressive array of 2014 reds, all of them showing as well as, or better, than I had predicted in my range of scores last year. The **2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Herb Lamb Vineyard** is an example, coming from the lower hillsides of Howell Mountain. Tor Kenward uses the middle section of this vineyard that was earlier used by Ann Colgin for her Herb Lamb bottlings. This wine has always been noted by its blueberry component, touch of licorice and underbrush. This wine has all of that, medium to full body, beautiful acidity and loads of fruit. It is drinking well now and should continue to do so for 15-20 or more years. The **2014 Proprietary Red** from Oakville is 44% Cabernet Franc, 44% Petit Verdot and 12% Cabernet Sauvignon. This is a fabulous wine and a creative blend from Kenward. With a fabulous nose of forest floor, white flowers, licorice,

incense, blackcurrant and blueberry fruit, this deep, sumptuous, full-bodied wine has fabulous intensity, low acidity and finely grained, integrated tannins. There is not much of it, but it is a beauty. It can be drunk now or cellared for another two decades. The **2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Tierra Roja** came in out-of bottle at the top of its range, which is always a good sign. This is a 4-acre vineyard on the red soil hillsides, just below Dalla Valle in the Oakville corridor. This is a sexy, beautiful, fragrant wine with plenty of scorched earth, blackcurrants and licorice, but copious quantities of blackberry and blackcurrant fruit. This is a beautiful wine to drink now and, like so many 2014s, over the next 20-25 years.

The **2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard** ratchets up the level of concentration. Charcoal embers, graphite, blackberry and blueberry notes, Christmas fruitcake and licorice are all present in the incredible bouquet of this forward and open-knit style of wine. Drink now-2035. From steep, rocky soils on Pritchard Hill, there are only 50 cases of the **2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Melanson Vineyard**, so I will keep my notes short. The silky tannins, opulence, voluptuous texture and blue and black fruits are glorious in this classic from Pritchard Hill that should drink nicely for 20 more years. Another high-elevation site for Tor Kenward is his **2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Cimarossa Vineyard** from a steep vineyard planted at a 2,100-foot elevation on Howell Mountain. This wine is one of the more backward of the 2014s, with high tannin, full body, loads of mulberry, graphite, licorice and blue and black fruits. It is rich and would probably benefit from several years of bottle age and keep for 25-30 years. Lastly, the 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, the **2014 Black Magic Proprietary Red** is literally the best barrels in Tor's red-wine cellar. This is a fabulous wine, as one might expect, with loads of black and blue fruits, sweet tannin, adequate acidity and an energy and concentration that are off the charts. This is a magnificent wine that can be drunk now, or cellared for another 25-30 years.

The **2015 Petite Sirah Palisades Vineyard** is something else. It has amazingly soft tannins, huge, massive body, loads of blue and black fruits a hint of licorice and incense. It is a killer Petite Sirah that will probably be drinkable in 3-4 years and last 20-25. Lastly, the **2015 Syrah La Herradura** comes from Conn Valley, showing great fruit, plenty of raw beef and black olives. It is deep, rich, chewy and Tor Kenward said it may be the last Syrah they make.

As for the 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon family, I'll keep my notes short since I'll taste them next year out of bottle, but Tor Kenward has hit some home runs in this vintage as he did in 2013 and 2014. Three potentially perfect wines include **2015 Proprietary Red** from Oakville, which is the same blend as the 2014. It has enormous concentration of glycerin and that unctuous texture that is certainly present in the super well-endowed 2015s. The **2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer to Kalon Vineyard** also seems like a candidate that could reach a three-digit score given its extravagant blackberry and cassis fruit with incense and graphite. The third potentially perfect wine from Tor Kenward is his **2015 Black Magic Proprietary Red**, which is his selection of the best barrels, so why shouldn't it be every bit as good as his top single-vineyard wines? Tel. (707) 963-3100; torwines.com