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WINE

SCORE

2017 TOR Black Magic

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The 2017 Black Magic is 77% Cabernet Sauvignon and 23% Cabernet Franc mostly from the Vine Hill Ranch Vineyard in Oakville. It's deeper colored than the To Kolan and has a denser, more brooding bouquet of blackcurrants, lead pencil, graphite, tobacco, and crushed rocks. Reminding me of a great vintage of Pontet-Canet, it's full-bodied, deep, packed with tannins, and beautifully balanced. It's a remarkable wine in the vintage that will benefit from short-term cellaring and keep for 30 years or more.

2017 TOR Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard

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The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer To Kalon ratchets up the intensity and offers heavenly notes of blackcurrants, cassis, leafy herbs, flowery incense, and spice. A quintessential To Kolan with its full-bodied, plush, sexy style, it has terrific purity, remarkable elegance, and no hard edges. It's one of those powerful wines that just glides over the palate with no sensation of weight or heaviness. This cuvée is all Cabernet, from clones 6 and 337, harvested all before the fires, and aged 20 months in new barrels. It's in the top 2-3 wines of the vintage.

2017 TOR Cabernet Sauvignon Cimarossa Vineyard

95+

The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Cimarossa Vineyard (100% Cabernet Sauvignon) comes from a site on Howell Mountain and offers classic structure and depth as well as textbook black fruits, bay leaf, wild herbs, crushed rocks, violets, and tobacco. Pure, medium to full-bodied, beautifully balanced, with good acidity, ripe tannins, solid mid-palate depth, and a great finish, it's a complex, ageworthy wine that's going to benefit from 4-5 years of bottle age and keep for two decades.

2017 TOR Cabernet Sauvignon Vine Hill Ranch Vineyard

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Also beautiful, the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Vine Hill Ranch Oakville has a rocking level of minerality as well as powerful notes of blackcurrants, plums, dark chocolate, crushed rocks, and toasted spice. Screaming Cabernet Sauvignon both on the nose and palate, it's full-bodied, rounded, and voluptuous, with beautiful fruit, a rich, mineral-laced, powerful style, and a great finish. Unfortunately, there are only eight barrels produced.

2017 TOR Oakville Proprietary Red Wine

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The 2017 Oakville Proprietary Red Wine is a gorgeous wine based on co-ferments from two great sites in Oakville and is a mix of Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, and Cabernet Sauvignon aged 20 months in new barrels. It has a rich, opulent bouquet of cassis and blackcurrant fruits intermixed with plenty of chocolate, spice,

loamy earth, and dried herb aromas and flavors. It's a beautiful, seamless, full-bodied 2017 that has great tannin quality, plenty of mid-palate depth, and more length than most in the vintages. It's going to evolve for two decades or more.