

TOR Proprietary Red 'Black Magic' 2019

The 2019 'Black Magic' is once again an utterly sensational wine. It opens to incredibly perfumed nuances of beautifully ripe dark currants, blackberries and blueberries which are laced with graphite, tobacco, herbs, spices and hints of violets that all form the fresh aromatics. On the palate this is just as impressive, boasting a gorgeous full body that is concentrated and impeccably balanced. This goes on to deliver a mouthful of delicious ripe dark fruit that is incredibly fresh and pure as it expands on to the long plush finish. Overall, this is a truly phenomenal wine that is already stunning in its youth and should go on to have a marvelous future ahead for years to come. Hats off to the team at Tor for producing another truly amazing vintage of Black Magic!

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TOR Cabernet Sauvignon, Vine Hill Ranch 'Pure Magic' 2019

The 2019 Vine Hill Ranch 'Pure Magic' certainly lives up to its name, there is such an incredible pure character and it is nothing short of magical. It instantly begins to impress as it bursts open to seductive aromas of ripe dark currants, black cherries and even hints of blueberries which are woven together with exotic spices, violets, herbs, tilled-soil and a touch of licorice that all come together and explode from the glass. On the palate this continues to impress with its lavish full-body that is dense and concentrated. This goes on to display remarkable freshness and striking overall balance as layers of beautifully ripe dark fruits cascade on to the long supple finish. The Pure Magic is an absolute gem of a wine from Tor in this vintage and while it is nothing short of absolutely stunning today, it also shows tremendous promise for a brilliant future ahead.

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TOR Cabernet Sauvignon, Vine Hill Ranch 2019

The 2019 Vine Hill Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon from is an absolutely stunning wine from Tor in this vintage. It immediately impresses as beautiful aromas of ripe black currants, blackberries and blueberries that come together with spices, fresh violets, pencil shavings, herbs and dark chocolate nuances to burst from the glass. The palate offers a gorgeous full body that is structured with beautifully polished tannins that result in a wonderful luxurious mouthfeel. It goes on to display incredible overall balance and concentration as it gracefully gives way to delicious ripe dark fruits that burst from its core on to the long, mouth watering finish which entices you back for another sip. While there is already so much to love about this Vine Hill Ranch Cabernet at this early age, it also seems like the best is yet to come.

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TOR Cabernet Sauvignon, Beckstoffer To Kalon 2019

The 2019 Beckstoffer To Kalon is simply marvelous. It instantly bursts open with stunning aromatics of blackberries and black cherries which are woven together with tobacco, pencil shavings, sweet spices and herbs all bursting from the glass. On the palate this is full-bodied and beautifully structured with gorgeous round, polished tannins. This possesses incredible concentration and focus as well as remarkable overall balance. It goes on to impress with its ripe core of delicious dark fruits and savory flavors. Everything comes together seamlessly on the long expansive finish as it continues to linger effortlessly. This is already showing tremendously well from barrel and it should be ready for business once in bottle.

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TOR Cabernet Sauvignon, Melanson Vineyard 2019

Melanson Vineyard is a breathtaking site that is located high atop Pritchard Hill, overlooking some of the most iconic vineyards. The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon is a drop-dead stunning wine that is impressive for its density and bold characteristics. It immediately impresses with its seductive aromas of ripe blackcurrants, black cherries and boysenberries which are joined by exotic spices, violets, loam and crushed gravel that all burst from the glass. On the palate this displays a gorgeous full body that is dense and concentrated. It continues to impress with its beautiful polished frame and mouth watering supple texture that delivers plush layers of delicious ripe dark fruits through the long, mouth coating finish. There is an incredible sense of purity and freshness that leave a lasting impression on this stunning wine. The Melanson Vineyard is a total gem in this vintage and should not be missed.

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TOR Cabernet Sauvignon, Beckstoffer Dr. Crane 2019

This is the first vintage of the Beckstoffer Dr. Crane Cabernet from Tor and it is certainly a beauty, as it is a graceful wine which displays wonderful elegance and finesse. This starts off with inviting aromatics of black cherries, blackberries and plums which are laced with fresh florals, spices, black olive, herbs and dark chocolate shavings. On the palate this offers a lovely medium-full body that is beautifully structured with finely polished tannins that result in a seamless texture. This goes on to display outstanding overall balance and poise, with a precisely concentrated core that is packed with delicious red and dark fruit flavors that flow through the sleek, velvety finish. This is a gorgeous wine from Tor that is already outstanding in its youth, but should go on to have a brilliant future ahead.

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TOR Cabernet Sauvignon, Tierra Roja Vineyard 2019

Tierra Roja Vineyard is a four-acre vineyard located on the hillsides of eastern Oakville and its named for its distinct red soils. This 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon is an incredibly terroir driven expression, that wonderfully encapsulates the vineyards characteristics. It begins with a burst of red cherries and sweet red plums, which are accented by fresh cut florals, spices, wet clay, graphite shavings and hints of licorice that all take shape. On the palate this is medium to full-bodied and beautifully structured with gorgeous soft, round tannins that result in a seamless mouthfeel. This shows wonderful overall balance and finesse, with a precise, concentrated core that is laced with sweet red and dark plums that persist all the way through the graceful finish. This is a beautiful wine from Tor that is extremely expressive at this early age, but should also have a wonderful evolution ahead.

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