

**Blankiet Estate 2012 Proprietary Red  
Paradise Hills Vineyard  
Yountville, Napa Valley, United States  
Drinking window: 2020 - 2038**

**Stephen Tanzer – Tasting date April 2015**

(81% Cabernet Sauvignon): Deep red with ruby highlights. High-pitched perfume of black and red berries, licorice, violet, mocha and coffee. Began savory, minerally and dry but became more generous and pliant as it opened in the glass, showing lovely mid-palate weight and richness and complementary sweet oak. Most impressive today on the back end, which features powerful, late-arriving, fine-grained tannins and slowly building, inexorable length. I suspect that this wonderfully plush, silky wine will require seven or eight years in bottle to display the backbone that's currently hidden by baby fat, but it will also be accessible on the early side. --