

96 Points

Blankiet Estate 2014 Proprietary Red Paradise Hills Vineyard Yountville, Napa Valley, United States

Blankiet was among the highlights in my tastings of the 2014s. The wines have aged impeccably and are in a sweet spot today to offer maximum pleasure. It's always a bit difficult to taste wines from this era, as the 2014s were made by Denis and May-Britt Malbec for proprietors Claude and Katherine Blankiet before Denis' passing in an automotive accident. The wines will remain a brilliant testament to what the Malbecs achieved at Blankiet

'The 2014 Proprietary Red Paradise Hills Vineyard is gorgeous. Dark, layered and resonant, the 2014 is so expressive today. Black cherry, plum, licorice, new leather, incense and mocha build in the glass. Pliant and medium in body, with tons of grace, the Paradise Hills is exquisite. Interestingly, the oak is a bit more evident than in Mythicvs.'

-- Antonio Galloni, Vinous January 2025