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BLANKIET ESTATE Proprietary Red, Paradise Hills Vineyard 2023

The 2023 Paradise Hills Proprietary Red is a masterfully crafted wine from Blankiet Estate, exemplifying the elegance and power of this exceptional site. It opens up beautifully to reveal a layered bouquet of ripe blackberries, cassis, and dark cherries, laced with nuances of violets, crushed stones, graphite, and a touch of exotic spices. The palate is full-bodied yet refined, offering superb clarity and precision, with polished tannins that frame the dark fruit core beautifully. There's a striking harmony between richness and restraint, with a silky mouthfeel that builds in complexity before leading to a tightly knit, mineral-driven finish. Poised and deeply expressive, this wine is built for the cellar, with the structure and depth to evolve gracefully over the next two decades. Patience will be well rewarded.

99 points

-- Joe D'Angelo / International Wine Report / September 2025