

International WINEREPORT

BLANKIET ESTATE Prince of Music 2021, Paradise Hills Vineyard

The 2021 'Prince of Music' is nothing short of spectacular in this vintage. Composed predominately of Cabernet Sauvignon (89.7%) with the remainder of Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and a touch of Merlot. It instantly impresses with its stunning aromas of black currants, black cherries, spices, graphite, tobacco, floral and crushed gravel, which all come together in perfect harmony. On the palate this possesses a gorgeous full body that is well-structured with beautifully polished tannins. It also shows wonderful overall balance, concentration and poise as it continues to deliver gorgeous ripe dark fruit, tobacco and spice flavors that all build through the precise finish. The 'Prince of Music' is simply fabulous today and should also age remarkably well for years to come.

96 points

-- Joe D'Angelo / *International Wine Report*, September 25, 2023