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BLANKIET ESTATE PROPRIETARY RED 2018

RATING

98+ points

- TASTING DATE 1/27/2021
- MATURITY 2025 – 2045
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- SOURCE [Napa Valley's 2018s](#)

REVIEW

The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate is based on 84% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, and the rest close to an even split of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. A more brooding, backward wine, it reveals a dense purple hue to go with primordial notes of black and blue fruits, graphite, crushed stone, smoked tobacco, and a hint of violets. As with all these latest releases from Blankiet, the purity is just about off the charts, it's flawlessly balanced, and has ample structure as well as a great finish. This magical Cabernet is desperately in need of 4 - 6 years, if not a decade of bottle age, but will be very long-lived.