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2023 Cabernet Sauvignon, Beckstoffer Georges III

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TASTING NOTES

The 2023 vintage is nothing short of extraordinary—an exceptional year that delivered fruit of rare precision, purity, and depth. From the storied Beckstoffer Georges III Vineyard, this wine captures the soul of Rutherford in a way that feels both timeless and transcendent.

After a meticulous fermentation, the wine rested for 20 months in 100% new Darnajou and Taransaud French oak barrels, developing its signature texture, polish, and grace.

In the glass, it glows with a deep garnet core edged in royal purple. The aromatics are breathtaking—waves of blackberry compote, cassis, and black cherry entwined with hints of violet, cedar, and warm spice. Beneath the surface, a quiet minerality speaks to the vineyard's storied soils. The palate is opulent yet composed, with silken tannins framing layers of dark fruit and subtle savor. Its density and energy are perfectly in balance—grace meeting power in a finish that unfolds endlessly.

As it lingers, the 2023 reveals why Beckstoffer Georges III remains one of Napa's crown jewels. It is a wine of presence and poise—sumptuous now with decanting, yet destined to evolve beautifully for decades.

VINEYARD

300 spectacular acres in the middle of the valley floor, the Beckstoffer Georges III Vineyard had its first grapes planted by Elizabeth Rutherford in 1895. Famed history flows through the veins of this historic vineyard from Georges De La Tour to Andre Tchelistcheff. In 1988 the Beckstoffer Georges III was replanted using new Cabernet Sauvignon Clones with tighter spacing and advanced trellising systems enhancing both quality and grape tonnage. The rows specific to the Perchance Estates' blocks are positioned on slight uplifts and rolling knolls, offering better drainage, early ripening and delicious and integrated natural acidity. Wonderfully, in 2009 - 181 acres were placed under a land conservation easement that forever prohibits non-agricultural development.

TECHNICAL DATA

VARIETAL:
100% Cabernet Sauvignon

HARVEST:
By hand, October 10th

BARREL AGING: 20 months in 100% new Tonnellerie Darnajou & Taransaud French oak barrels

SOILS:
The soils at Beckstoffer George III contain approximately 45% Pleasanton loam, 15% Cole silt loam, 15% Clear Lake loam, 15% Perkins gravelly loam, and 10% Cortina very gravelly loam.