

McLaren Vale Cabernet Sauvignon

2018



91 POINTS

Cameron Douglas MS | camdouglasms.com

September 2020 *Bold and dark fruited with a core of black currant and roasted plums, a dark fruit compote layer and toasty wood spices of clove then vanilla. A layer of violet and iron complete the bouquet. On the palate - dry and full-bodied with dark spices, a core of fruit layered between flavours of tobacco and toasty barrel flavours, moderate tannins and medium acidity - this is an easy wine to enjoy on its own or with food. Balanced and well made with best drinking from today and through 2026.*

93 POINTS & 5 STARS

Sam Kim | wineorbit.co.nz

September 2020 *Wonderfully ripe and inviting, the wine shows blackcurrant, sweet cherry, vanillin oak and warm spice aromas with a hint of dried herb complexity. It's beautifully expressed on the palate with fabulous fruit power as well as silky texture and supple tannins, offering terrific drinking. At its best: now to 2028.*

92 POINTS & 4 STARS

Huon Hooke | therealreview.com

August 2020 *With its dark red/purple colour, this is a powerful, assertive wine with lashings of tannin, and its body and structure are well beyond what we usually get for \$22. The boutique is ripe and attractively varietal, with classic violet, blueberry, mulberry and oasis aromas. It's intense and powerful, rich and brigh, with freshness, poise and persistence. It needs food if broached now. An excellent view of concentration and cellaring potential. The price is hard to believe. (Screwcap).*

90 POINTS

James Suckling | jamesuckling.com

October 2020 *Ripe dark berry, cassis and leafy tones. Some earth and dark tobacco too. A mid-weight palate with finely feathered tannins that carry fresh darker fruit flavours into a long finish. Drink now.*

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