

TURNBULL

2023 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



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93 Points: Outstanding wines. These wines are outstanding for their type and are worth the extra effort to seek out.

“Napa Valley 2023: A Brilliant Vintage and a First Look at 2024”

“Showing a dense purple hue, the 2023 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve reveals black cherries, plums, iron, scorched earth, and roasted herbs, with some dark chocolate thrown in for good measure. It’s medium to full-bodied, has a plump, round, layered mouthfeel, ripe and polished tannins, and a great finish. Drink this solid effort over the coming 10-15 years. Drink 2025-2040.” – Jeb Dunnuck, December 2025

VINOUS

93 Points: Outstanding. A wine of remarkable personality and breed that is well worth seeking out

“Napa Valley Soars: The 2023 & 2024 Cabernet Sauvignons”

“The 2023 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve is a blend from Turnbull’s Fortuna and Weitz sites. Black cherry, mocha, new leather, licorice, incense and chocolate all wrap around the palate. Plush contours meld it all together in style. This sumptuous Oakville Cabernet delivers the goods, and then some.” – Antonio Galloni, November 2025

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92 Points: Outstanding

“Napa’s Fresh 2023”

“Aromas of black currants, cedar, tea leaves, earth and bitter chocolate. The palate is full-bodied with fine tannins and balanced acidity, giving notes of black olives, blackberries and spices. Nicely constructed, with a fresh, earth-driven finish. Drink or hold.” – Jim Gordon and Ryan Montgomery, October 2025

VINOGRAPHY

Around 9.5

“Very dark garnet in the glass, this wine smells of cherries, boysenberries, and flowers. In the mouth, incredibly juicy flavors of cherry, boysenberries, and plums are bright with fantastic acidity as fine-grained tannins coat the mouth and stiffen with time. Juicy and delicious, with a hint of bitter licorice in the finish. Balanced, elegant, and likely to age beautifully. Aged in a well-seasoned 500L French oak puncheon.” – Alder Yarrow, January 2026

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DECANTER

92 Points: **Highly Recommended**

“The Reserve is sourced from Fortuna Vineyard and Leopoldina Vineyard in Oakville, this 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon was aged 20 months in 100% French oak, with a mix of 60% in 600L puncheons and 40% in 225L barrels, of which only 20% was new French oak—a restrained approach that allows the purity of fruit to shine. A juicy, red-fruited expression that reflects the vintage, this wine is layered with fragrant cedarwood, walnut, and green tobacco. Gritty tannins frame the medium-bodied palate, where the same aromatic complexities unfold with depth and balance.” – Jonathan Cristaldi, February 2025

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“Black plums, currants, chocolate, and violet notes define the 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve, a ripe, full-bodied, fruit-forward effort that has sweet tannins and good length. It shows the softer, riper style of the vintage and will drink well for 8-10 years.” – Jeb Dunnuck, April 2025

WINE ADVOCATE

91 Points: **An *outstanding* wine of exceptional complexity and character. In short, these are terrific wines.**

“Normally a blend of fruit from the Leopoldina and Fortuna Vineyards, Turnbull's 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve features hints of mint and cedar set against a core of black cherries and loam. It's full-bodied and supple—maybe it lacks a bit of structure relative to the top vintages—but is still excellent, with a long, mouthwatering finish.” – Joe Czerwinski, February 2025

VINOUS

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“The 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve is a sleek, polished wine. Ripe black cherry, plum, espresso, licorice, menthol, lavender and dried herbs are all laced together. This pliant, succulent Cabernet Sauvignon will drink well right out of the gate. It's a very nicely done wine for the year and a new value, to boot.” – Antonio Galloni, December 2024

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FORBES

“100-Point Scored Napa Valley Wine Producer’s Favorite Napa Vineyard
A winemaker for a top wine producer in Oakville, Napa Valley, one of the
most famous wine areas in Napa”

“Under Peter’s guidance, Turnbull has been awarded a handful of 100-point
scores for their wines.

2021 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

A seductive wine with notes of cocoa powder and espresso with red currant
preserves that is wrapped in a silky texture with an underlying complex note
of smoldering earth.” – Cathrine Todd, November 2024

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96 Points: As good as it gets. These wines reach the peak of my personal
scale of quality.

“Top 2021 Napa Bordeaux Blends Under \$125”

“The below list is pulled from our 2021 Napa Valley coverage and features
the top Bordeaux blends at \$125 or less. While we’ve limited the selection
to Cabernet Sauvignon-dominated releases in the past, we’ve opened it up
this year, and the list includes Cabernet Sauvignon as well as Merlot,
Cabernet Franc, and Bordeaux blends. While value can be hard to define
and depends on many factors, the list below encompasses wines that I
believe punch well above the price point, and these all compete with wines
at 2 to 3 times the price.

#8. 2021 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve is softer and more upfront
compared to the Black Label, offering a terrific perfume of cassis and black
raspberry fruits supported by spicy oak and violets. It too is perfectly
balanced, has full-bodied richness, and tons of character. Drink bottles
anytime over the coming 15 years.” – Jeb Dunnuck, August 2024

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WINE REVIEW ONLINE

96 Points

“This blend of fruit from Leopoldina and Fortuna vineyards is wildly expressive already and promises a long life ahead. Classic blackberry and cassis notes along with a blue fruit streak are well complemented by the barrel influence, which adds structure and spice. As the oak folds in further over time, this will likely gain a point or two on my already-high score for it, and when you look at the Napa Valley Cabernet landscape, it is a relative bargain that’s tough to compete with. Another stellar 2021 from this grape variety. Contains 5% Cabernet Franc, 2% Malbec and 1% Petit Verdot.” – Rich Cook, January 2025

WINE SPECTATOR

95 Points: Classic: a great wine

“California Cabernet: Marked by a cooler growing season, the stellar 2021 vintage highlights an evolution in style”

“As a group, the top wines show more than just the quality of the vintage. They also reveal how dynamic the category is as a whole, driven by an increasing number of small-production wines that highlight Napa Valley’s diverse *terroirs*, from sites on the valley floor to high-elevation vineyards. (There are also some prominent Cabernets from select spots outside the valley, but Napa producers drive the perception of the category overall.)

James Molesworth’s Recommended California Cabernet Sauvignons Top-Scoring 2021s

2021 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

This displays showy flavors of boysenberry, blackberry and black currant preserves that stretch out beautifully over a polished structure, while flashes of warm loam, ganache, sweet bay leaf and violet swirl through. Offers all that, plus a sense of freshness through the flamboyant finish. Drink now through 2042.” – James Molesworth, November 2024

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FORBES

95 Points

“Celebrating The Outstanding 2021 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignons”

“Bright, deep ruby red/light purple; aromas of black currant, red cherry, red plum and violet. Medium-full with excellent depth of fruit, perfectly ripe fruit, very good acidity, medium-full tannins that are well-balanced and restrained wood notes, The finish is lengthy and harmonious, with excellent fruit persistence. What is most impressive about this wine is its elegance, as every component is seamlessly assembled. This could be enjoyed with sirloin tonight or any time over the next 15-18 years.” – Tom Hyland, March 2025

WINESPEED

95 Points

“Six Great Napa Cabernets”

“I was impressed by many of the wines that day, but these six have that Napa Valley triple magic of being luscious, structured, and complex.

They are below. Most are sold only by mailing list and for some, there’s a waiting list to get on the mailing list. But I write about them here because you will see them on the wine lists of top restaurants. And any one of them would turn an evening’s dinner into an unforgettable wine experience.”

2021 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

“Turnbull Cabernets always have an immaculate core of rich cassis fruit framed by a majestic structure. Powerful but graceful at the same time. The 2021 also has an exotic spicy edge that’s terrific.” – Karen MacNeil, August 2024

THE TASTING PANEL

95 Points: Classic

“A combination of two estate vineyards – the steep Leopoldina and Fortuna, set on volcanic red soils – contribute to the complexity of this Oakville Cab. A flow of energy consumes the palate with generous notes of blueberry and cassis. The wine exudes restrained power through flavors of violets, graphite, and saddle leather.” – Meredith May, March/April 2025

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DECANTER

94 Points: **Highly recommended**

“A blend of 92% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet Franc, 2% Malbec, and 1% Petit Verdot from the winery's Leopoldina Vineyard and Fortuna Vineyard in Oakville. The winemaker is Peter Heitz. Ageing is in all French oak. A very pretty rendition of Oakville Cabernet. Medium-bodied with crunchy red fruit, saline minerals, and dried herbs. Juicy on the palate, framed by a dusty tannin backbone and a long finish of savoury oak spices.”
– Jonathan Cristaldi, May 2024

THE WINE INDEPENDENT

94 Points

“The 2021 Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is deep garnet-purple in color. Notes of blackberry preserves, blackcurrant pastilles, and candied violets pop from the glass, followed by hints of dark chocolate and star anise. The medium to full-bodied palate is soft, bright, and lively, finishing with pure black berry notes and a real skip in its step.” – Lisa Perrotti-Brown, December 2023

VINOUS

94 Points

“The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve is fabulous. Once again, the Reserve is one of the most stellar wines in the range. Black cherry, plum, chocolate, spice, leather and mocha build nicely as this juicy, exuberant Cabernet shows off its alluring personality. This is one of the best Napa Valley Cabernets readers can find at this price point. Superb.”
– Antonio Galloni, December 2023

KEN'S WINE GUIDE

94 Points

“This dark garnet colored Cabernet Sauvignon from Turnbull opens with a mild black currant and black cherry bouquet with hints of cigar box and spearmint. On the palate, this wine is full bodied with medium acidity. The mouthfeel is nicely balanced, very smooth and delicate. The flavor profile is tasty black cherry and blueberry blend with notes of graphite and red licorice. We also detected some hints of raspberry, gentle oak, milk chocolate and nutmeg. The finish is dry and its dusty tannins build up nicely and linger for a while. The Tasting Panel would pair this Cab with Roy's prime rib roast or with a slow roasted beef brisket.” – Ken Hoggins, February 2024

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INTOWINE

94 Points

“When Turnbull launched in 1979 it was with the goal of producing excellent Cabernet Sauvignon. Of course, at the time there was a lot of excellent Cabernet in the market. But as many Napa Cabernets chose to make enormous and heavy-handed wines, Turnbull chose a different direction. The craftsmanship of this is an homage to Old-School Napa Cabernet - those wines not often made anymore that truly prized the plot of land and extolled the fruit over the use of high brix and lots of oak. So if you want to taste Cabernet the way it used to be, this will complement any occasion.

Comprised of almost all Cabernet Sauvignon, there are very small amounts of Cabernet Franc, Malbec and Petit Verdot. This offers subdued notes of blackberry, blueberry, loganberry, a touch of macerated plum, fresh cracked black pepper, light vanilla and sandalwood. There is the faintest suggestion of powdered cocoa as well. The tannins are finely assimilated into the wine as a whole, as is the moderate acidity. The judicious use of French oak barrels adds to the allure and supports the impressive fruit. A good portion of the Cabernet is sourced from the Turnbull Leopoldina vineyard, which historically always produces excellent fruit.

This 2021 will benefit from decanting, at least an hour, which opens up the fruit, but also exposes more acidity and tannic structure. The result is a tightly controlled wine that showcases fruit, oak, tannins and soil.”

– Michael Cervin, December 2024

JAMESSUCKLING.COM

93 Points: Outstanding

“Perfumed aromas of wild blackberries, mulberries and dried herbs. The palate is full-bodied with fine tannins and focused acidity, showing notes of blood plums, cedar and tobacco. Refined and balanced. Drinkable now, but best from 2028.” – James Suckling, October 2024

WINE ADVOCATE

93+ Points

“Blended from the estate’s Leopoldina (61%) and Fortuna (39%) vineyards, the 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve represents a solid value. Marked by scents of cassis, black cherries and loamy earth, with a hint of smoked meat, it’s full-bodied, plush and velvety. If it lacks the extra concentration of the Black Label, it’s still excellent stuff, featuring a long finish lined with softly dusty tannins.” – Joe Czerwinski, December 2023

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JAMESSUCKLING.COM

93 Points

“A firm and rich cabernet with dark berries, bark, dried leaves, cola and sweet spices on the nose following through to a full body with creamy tannins and texture. Lush and structured with a juicy core of blackberries and cherries at the finish with a spicy touch as well. Better after 2025.” – James Suckling, December 2023

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“It has been more than 35 years that Turnbull has helped shape the Napa Valley. Today the winery owns over 200 acres in the Napa Valley and produces approximately 30,000 cases per year. Their original co-founder William Turnbull was an architect from the San Francisco Bay Area and designed his winery as well as many others including part of Cakebread Cellars. Later in 1993 Patrick O’Dell purchased Turnbull Johnson and renamed the winery to Turnbull Cellars. At the helm is Peter Heitz who is a fourth generation vintner. Peter applied his trade at Beringer, crafting some world class Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon under the guidance of legendary winemaker Ed Sbragia, before coming to Turnbull more than a decade ago.

I love the new 2021 Turnbull ‘Oakville Reserve’ Cabernet Sauvignon (OB, 93) which is plush and soft with a smooth mouthfeel. Learn more at www.turnbullwines.com Here are my reviews of the new Turnbull wines.”

2021 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon – 93 Points

“The really good 2021 Turnbull ‘Oakville Reserve’ Cabernet Sauvignon has small portions of Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and Malbec blended in. Inky in the glass, this is nicely concentrated stuff, showing sweet pipe tobacco notes that combines with a gracious core of black fruits with pencil lead and loamy soil accents. Medium to full-bodied, with good underlying tension, enjoy now and over the next ten plus years. Drink 2024-2036” – Owen Bargreen, January 2025

RED WINE WITH BREAKFAST

“For 40 years, Napa’s Turnbull Winery has been crafting exceptional Cabernet Sauvignon from various pristine locations throughout the region, including Oakville. Oakville is an exceptional part of the AVA due to the varying soil types dotted throughout the valley-floor area, primarily gravel and sand from decomposed rocks washed down from the volcanic mountains that surround the valley. These soils lend minerality and earthiness to highly concentrated Cabernet Sauvignon for Turnbull. Turnbull Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon shines with layers of ripe red and black berries, cherries, espresso, and toasted cedar. Smooth and inviting, with silky fine tannin, this is the wine you will want to sip and savor by a warm fire throughout the holiday.”
– Hayley Hamilton Cogill,, December 2024



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RESTAURANT WINE

5 Stars

“Wines and Wineries to Watch”

“Turnbull’s higher priced 2021 Cabernet Sauvignons, the Reserve and Black Label, are extraordinary wines. **Two (more) splendid 2021 Cabernet Sauvignons, and the finest I have tasted from the winery.** The 2021 Oakville Reserve is very rich and ripe in flavor (blackberry, black currant, cassis, tobacco, vanilla, toasty oak), luscious in texture, and very long and harmonious on the finish. **Extremely well balanced for its age,** but warrants at least 5 more years of aging. Great value.” – Ronn Wiegand, April 2024

VINOGRAPHY

Wines With a Score Between 9 and 9.5

“Sampling Napa Royalty: Notes from the Taste of Oakville”

“Oakville remains the epicenter of Napa’s highest echelon of wines.

But trust me on this one fact: if you’re a buyer of top-end Napa Cabernet, you’re going to want to back up the truck for the 2021 vintage.”

– Alder Yarrow, May 2024

BALTIMORE SUN, CAPITAL GAZETTE, SOUTH FLORIDA REPORTER

“Fine Wines For A Fine Dad”

“From an ideal vintage in Napa Valley comes this blockbuster wine that is 92 percent cabernet sauvignon with the balance made up of cabernet franc, malbec and petit verdot. The texture is rich and opulent with dark berry and plum flavors, a dash of spice, fine tannins and lingering finish to let you know you’re drinking a luxurious wine.” – Tom Marquardt and Patrick Darr, June 2025

EDIBLE MONTEREY BAY

“Turnbull – Established in 1979, this brand was one of Oakville’s first wineries. We tried the **2021 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon**, made from three different vineyards, including one first planted in the 1890s on volcanic alluvial soils. That volcanic influence is enormously obvious in the nose, where iron filings and rusty barn door presage a complex Cabernet. Just ripe, almost opulent blueberry and black cherry flavors, cascade over the superfine tannins that underpin it. Although it’s mostly Cabernet Sauvignon (92%), a bit of Cab Franc (5%), Malbec (2%) and Petit Verdot (1%) all add to the depth and completeness of this wine. Seriously, the tannins are just wonderfully soft, on the verge of melty, but with a bit of sandiness.” – Laura Ness, January 2025

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JUSTLUXE

“Tasteful (& Joyful) Giving: Wine Gifts with a Culinary Twist”
Turnbull Wine Cellars’ Bon Appétit Set

“A benchmark name in Napa Valley, Turnbull Wine Cellars has been family-owned and independently operated for more than 40 years, with estate vineyards spanning Oakville and Calistoga. Known for its honest, site-driven wines, Turnbull produces some of Napa’s most elegant expressions of Cabernet Sauvignon and Sauvignon Blanc. Their Bon Appétit Set captures that duality beautifully, featuring the luminous 2024 Josephine Sauvignon Blanc alongside the richly layered **2021 Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon**. The set is finished with a stackable olive oil and balsamic cruet from local artisan Olivier Napa Valley. It’s a thoughtful pairing that celebrates the art of sharing good food, fine wine, and even better company.” – Fran Endicott Miller, November 2025

KATHLEEN WILLCOX’S INSTAGRAM

“Turnbull is an Oakville winery built by hardcore wine lovers before Oakville was on everyone’s lips (and in their glasses). All of the grapes are estate grown with the goal of creating long-living wines that can also be appreciated upon release. Fourth generation vintner Peter Heitz joined the winery in 2007, and since then, he has helped the winery spin great terroir into even better wine, no easy feat. Several of his wines have snagged 100 points from Robert Parker, Antonio Galloni and others.

2021 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon:

A classic. Juicy red and black fruit, tannins polished until they gleam, a complex dance, harmonious and balanced.

2021 is widely considered to be an exceptional vintage for Oakville, so grab a few to drink now and grab even more to save for later.” – Kathleen Willcox (of *Wine Enthusiast* and *Wine Industry Advisor*), July 2025

ATTORNEY SOMM ON YOUTUBE

“compares very favorably to some quite expensive wines from the Oakville AVA.” – John Jackson, May 2025

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WINE ENTHUSIAST

95 Points: Superb; a great achievement

“Top 16 California Cabernets for Every Budget”

“This densely packed wine is layered in gorgeous fruits from raspberries and dark plums to sweet cherries, all wrapped in velvety tannins for a smooth and creamy texture. The subtle oak spices are flooded by the potent fruitiness that lingers long on the finish. Best 2027–2035.” – Jim Gordon, October 2023

WINE REVIEW ONLINE

95 Points

“Whatever the case, this wine is delicious, showing the classic Napa Valley profile with length and power. It’s approachable now, and age-worthy as well. Keep in mind that there won’t be many 2020 cellar trophies from the vintage, and this bottle qualifies.” – Rich Cook, August 2023

THE TASTING PANEL

94 Points

“Publisher’s Picks”

“This is the winemaker’s selection of barrels from the red volcanic soils of Oakville’s Leopoldina and Fortuna Vineyards. A tremendous start with aromas of black cherry and dried fruits. On the palate there’s a generous disrobing of blackberry and black tea. Chalky tannins take a grip, soon modifying to a soothing suede texture.” – Meridith May, September 2023

KEN’S WINE GUIDE

94 Points

“This dark ruby colored Cabernet Sauvignon from Turnbull opens with a black currant and blackberry bouquet. with hints of caramel, toasted almond, and chocolate. On the palate, this wine is medium plus bodied with medium plus acidity. The mouthfeel is balanced, rich and really smooth. The flavor profile is blackberry and macerated black cherry blend with notes of licorice snaps, black currant, dark chocolate, and oak. We also detected hints of clove and black tea. The finish is dry, and its bold flavors and moderate tannins show very nice length. The Tasting Panel would pair this Cabernet Sauvignon with a New York strip steak.” – Ken Hoggins, February 2023

WINE ADVOCATE

92 Points

“The estate-grown 2020 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve is a substantial step up from the regular Cab, both in price and quality. Black cherries and cassis are framed by subtle oak shadings, while an earthy undercurrent provides a substantial bass note. Medium to full-bodied, this shows elegance and depth, silky tannins and a lasting finish.” – Joe Czerwinski, May 2023

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THE TASTING PANEL

“Publisher’s Picks”

94 Points

“This wine is the result of the winemaker’s selection of barrels from the red volcanic soils of Oakville’s Leopoldina and Fortuna vineyards. The entry is tremendous with aromas of black cherry and dried fruits. Blackberry and black tea are unveiled on the generous palate as chalky tannins add grip before giving way to a soothing, suede-like texture.” – Meridith May, October 2023

JAMESSUCKLING.COM

92 Points: Outstanding

“A floral lift to the baked blackberries, with lots of iodine and dried-lychee notes. Rich and full-bodied on the palate, with very silky and seductive tannins that drive the palate to a juicy finish. Drink or hold.” – James Suckling, September 2022

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“The 2020 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve reveals more lifted, slightly volatile aromatics of plums, candied violets, and leafy herbs. Uber-ripe and concentrated, with quality tannins, it’s a solid, enjoyable Oakville effort to drink over the coming decade.” – Jeb Dunnuck, February 2023

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FOOD & WINE

“41 Cabernet Sauvignons Worth Splurging On:

These are the best bottles of Cabernet Sauvignon for your next anniversary, promotion, or big night in”

“The ones below, listed alphabetically, represent some of the top high-end Cabs around.”

2019 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

“This is a fantastic Oakville AVA Cab, bursting with blackberry and fig, and spiced with bergamot, a subtle dusting of coriander, and suggestions of cardamom and coffee. Cocoa powder and hoisin sauce linger through the finish, which is splashed with a hint of saltiness in the best possible sense. Savor this one for a couple of decades to come.” – Brian Freedman, April 2023

WINE SPEED

97 Points

“Wines to Know”

“The holidays always deserve a special wine—and this year, perhaps even more so. Here’s that wine—a beautifully-structured, intensely-flavored Napa Valley Cabernet. Turnbull, a small wine producer in Oakville, right in the heart of the valley, has an ‘insider’ reputation for making fantastic Cabernets—wines of great power, richness, and elegance. I love the way this Cabernet’s fine tannin frames the luscious savory flavors. And while at \$95, the wine is not inexpensive, it could easily go up against Napa Cabernets costing two or three times as much. If you’re ready for a bit of indulgence (or want to give a wine lover a sensational gift this year), Turnbull’s Reserve Cabernet is the wine you need.” – Karen MacNeil, December 2021

WINE ENTHUSIAST

95 Points

“Top 16 California Cabernets for Every Budget”

“To help with your Cabernet buying decisions, we skimmed the cream off the top of the 849 California Cabernet Sauvignons our team reviewed in blind tastings over the last 12 months.”

2019 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

“From a pair of vineyards in the appellation, this wine is earthy in tobacco, sage and black currant. With admirable length and breadth, it features rich berry fruit adorned in a touch of molasses, dried herb and oak, deliciously built for the long haul. Enjoy best from 2029 to 2039.” – Virginie Boone, August 2022

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WINE SPECTATOR

95 Points: Classic

“James Molesworth’s Recommended California Cabernet Sauvignons”

“Top-Scoring 2019s”

“Delivers a lovely burst of pure, unadulterated cassis and cherry puree, with hints of violet, singed vanilla, loam and anise. A subtly inlaid graphite spine carries the finish. Beautifully proportioned. Accessible now, but there's no rush at all. Drink now through 2036.” – James Molesworth, November 2022

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“A killer value that’s up with the best at the price point, the 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve offers medium to full-bodied aromas and flavors of currants, plums, chocolate, iron, and a touch of tobacco. Nicely concentrated, beautifully balanced, and elegant, it’s a terrific wine well worth seeking out.” – Jeb Dunnuck May 2022

WINE REVIEW ONLINE

94 Points

“Winemaker Peter Heitz blends fruit from Fortuna Vineyard (68%) and Leopoldina Vineyard (32%) to bring us a bold, red fruit-driven expression that’s weighty, but with bright acidic lift that keeps the fruit flowing over a firm oak backbone. It’s not overheated, and it shows lively pepper and spice midpalate, and some complementary charred oak up in the finish. It’s quite stylized, and I like the style.” – Rich Cook, February 2022

JAMESSUCKLING.COM

93 Points

“This wine shows crushed blueberries and fresh violets with notes of dried herbs, pinewood and graphite. Full-bodied and tight with chewy tannins and delicious blue fruit on the palate. Juicy and succulent, yet it needs some time to soften more. Long finish with hints of crushed stones. Try in 2024.” – James Suckling, December 2021

VINOUS

92 Points: Outstanding. A wine of remarkable personality and breed that is well worth seeking out.

“The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve is packed with black cherry, plum, spice, new leather and licorice. Soft curves and plush fruit give the 2019 its succulent, resonant personality. This generous, plush Oakville Cabernet from Turnbull is a winner. Give it a year or two in bottle first.” – Antonio Galloni, January 2022

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CABERNET SAUVIGNON



WINE ADVOCATE

90 Points: Outstanding; a wine of superior character and style

“Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve gallops out of the glass with earthy notes of tar, tobacco leaf and fertile loam over a core of warm cassis and mulberries, with a waft of licorice. Medium to full-bodied, firm and sturdy in the mouth, it offers just enough freshness and a savory finish.” – Lisa Perrotti-Brown, November 2021

WINE & SPIRITS

90 Points: Delicious, compelling; a compelling wine of its region; a delicious, finessed expression of place

“A cocoa-rich Oakville cabernet, this layers the cool florals of sour-cherry fruit over soft, smoky tannins. Built to merge with a steak.” – Josh Greene, December 2021

RESTAURANT WINE

5 Stars: Exceptional quality for its type and style; a superstar within its price category. Merits an extra special effort to purchase. Very highly recommended

“Wines & Wineries to Watch”

“2019 was also an excellent vintage in California, and we strongly recommend Cabernets from Turnbull.”

2019 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

“Very young, concentrated, and tannic, this 2019 Oakville Reserve is a very fine wine, with years of development ahead. It is fleshy in texture, very complex in flavor (blackcurrant, blackberry, cassis, black licorice, tobacco, spicy oak), and long and firm on the finish. Great value; warrants at least 5 more years of aging. 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, from Fortuna and Leopoldina vineyards in Oakville.” – Ronn Wiegand, July 2022

NAPA VALLEY REGISTER

“Tom Simoneau’s Wines of the Year 2021”

“Best Cabernet Sauvignon”

“There are a lot of unsolved mysteries in this world. In the wine business the term terroir falls into this category. Terroir is defined as the taste of the place where the grapes were grown. But you can’t taste dirt... right? So why are there special places around the planet where everyone agrees the best grapes are grown? It’s a mystery to me, but I’m here to tell this Turnbull Cabernet comes from a very special place. This wine is big in a soft sort of way, smooth and balanced. Winemaker Peter Heitz has hit the bulls eye on this one – WOW!” – Tom Simoneau, December 2021

TURNBULL

2019 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



CATHRINE TODD'S INSTAGRAM

“Lifted, pristine red cherry flavors are the first thing that grabs your attention on the nose that reveals through time a touch of darkness underneath with broken earth and black raspberry liqueur. Intense drive on the palate with tannins that seemed like thin ribbons of silk with fresh acidity and tobacco leaf on the finish.” – Cathrine Todd (of *Forbes*), January 2022

TURNBULL

2018 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



THE TASTING PANEL

96 Points: Outstanding

“Publisher’s Picks”

“Turnbull Winemaker and 14th generation winegrower Peter Heitz notes, ‘For me, a classic Oakville Cabernet captures the joyful spirit of being in the vineyard during the growing season; it’s bright and fresh and full of vibrant red fruit.’ The aromas of vanilla, plum and a garden of blue flowers extends to the palate. Teeth-gripping tannins are chewy and become sumptuous as the wine opens. Expressive notes of violets and black plum, along with dusty cocoa, takes power and surges with weight and mouth-filling texture.”
– Meridith May, November/December 2021

JEBDUNNUCK.COM

94 Points: Outstanding wines. These wines are outstanding for their type and are worth the extra effort to seek out.

“Top Napa Cabernet Sauvignon Under \$100”

“The below list is pulled from the over 1,600 reviews published in the latest ‘Napa Valley’s 2018s’ report and features the top Cabernet Sauvignons at less than \$100. While value can be hard to define and depends on many factors, the below list encompasses wines I believe punch well above the price point, and these all compete with wines at 2 to 3 times the price.

2018 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

“The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve (only 49 barrels produced) gives up impressive blue fruits (cassis, blueberries) to go with medium to full-bodied richness, a rounded, opulent texture, beautiful mid-palate depth, and classic notes of lead pencil and tobacco. It’s another balanced, impeccably made wine from this team that’s well worth seeking out. It’s up with some of the top values in the vintage.” – Jeb Dunnuck, February 2021

JAMESSUCKLING.COM

93 Points: Outstanding

“A layered and flavorful cabernet with cherry, currant and mushroom aromas and flavors. It’s full-bodied and nicely structured with a delicious finish. Needs two or three years to come together.” – James Suckling, December 2020

MODERN WINE

93 Points

“At around \$45 Turnbull’s general Napa Valley Cab has to be one of the best values in the entire Napa Valley. This estate-bottled wine is about double that price, and it does share some of the house style charm, in that it isn’t over-blown, heavy and sweet. It has a good dose of rich, vanilla-laced new oak, but it also has really good acid and tannin, nice black fruit notes, light herb influences, a bit of licorice, and really good overall balance. Only 49 barrels produced, and it’s really good.” – Tim Teichgraber, December 2021

TURNBULL

2018 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



VINOUS

93 Points: Outstanding. A wine of remarkable personality and breed that is well worth seeking out.

“Napa Valley’s Thrilling 2018s”

“Napa Valley experienced two stunning back-to-back vintages in 2018 and 2019 the likes of which I have never seen. Both vintages produced a bevy of breathtaking wines that will thrill Napa Valley fans. The 2018s are refined and vibrant.

Turnbull

It’s always great to sit down with winemaker Peter Heitz, as his down to earth demeanor and self-critical personality stands in stark contrast to much of the hype that at times is common in Napa Valley. But it is that self-criticism that has made the Turnbull wines so compelling of late. The collection of estate vineyards and single-vineyard wines is impressive, but the hidden gem in this range, when it comes to quality and value, is the Reserve, which is a blend taken from various estate parcels in Oakville. The wines are rich and sumptuous, but not overdone. Best of all, prices remain quite reasonable.

2018 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

Turnbull 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve is a blend of the Turnbull sites in Oakville. Succulent dark cherry, plum, spice, new leather licorice and tobacco give this plush Cabernet a good deal of complexity. I would prefer to drink it over the next handful of years, while the flavors remain bright. Lavender, raspberry, rose petal, spice, menthol and graphite linger. As is so often the case, the Reserve offers serious quality in its price range. 2024 – 2033” – Antonio Galloni, March 2021

OWENBARGREEN.COM

93 Points

“A winery with some serious history, Turnbull has been perched in the Napa Valley for the past 35 years. I loved the new wines by Turnbull. These are beautiful wines that are not to be missed.

2018 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2018 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is a beautiful, finesse-driven wine that is already showing beautifully in its youth. Right away the cassis and anise tones capture your attention as tilled soil undertones also arouse aromatically. The palate is fresh and vibrant with gobs of acidity and medium-bodied dark fruit, tobacco and damp earthy tones. Great enjoy now, this has a long way to go in the cellar. Drink 2021-2035.” – Owen Bargreen, April 2021

DECANTER

91 Points: Highly recommended

“This barrel selection is a slightly more herbal, fragrant take on Oakville, showing aromas of spearmint, nettle and anise. Classically black-and-blue on the palate, with a delicacy and clarity to its fine, clean tannin structure.” – Matthew Lucy, November 2020

TURNBULL

2017 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



FORBES

“The Best Wine Splurges For Your Date Night At Home”

“This small, independently-owned Napa winery works exclusively with estate fruit. Winemaker Peter Heitz specializes in detail, fermenting in small lots (up to 90 in any given vintage), and then blending the results to achieve a wine of balance and polish. This Cabernet Sauvignon shines with blackberry, black cherry and notes of cedar and cassis. The finish is supple and long and easily able to hold its own against any roasted protein.”

– Katie Kelly Bell, February 2021

VINOUS

96 Points

“The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve is another dazzling wine that overdelivers for its price point. Rich and sumptuous, the 2017 possesses off-the-charts richness and intensity. Black cherry, plum, new leather, licorice, spice and cedar are all fused together in this dazzling, opulent Cabernet Sauvignon; all the elements meld together in an effortless, flamboyant wine. This is a total pleasure bomb - for its quality and price, there is no question: the Reserve is the wine to buy at Turnbull.”

– Antonio Galloni, January 2020

CREATORS

95 Points

“The Oakville district of the Napa Valley is undoubtedly one of the finest stretches of terroir in the world for cabernet sauvignon. The 2017 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is yet another example from this hallowed ground. This vintage is rich and powerful, and shows notes of ripe blackberry, boysenberry and cassis with a touch of pencil lead and wood spice.” – Robert Whitley, August 2020

WINE.COM

94 Points

“The 2017 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon offers a look into the excellence of the Oakville AVA. This outstanding wine is firm, built, and focused. Its aromas and flavors of black fruit, licorice, and oak last long and lovingly on the palate.” – Wilfred Wong, May 2020

WINE ENTHUSIAST

93 Points; Editors' Choice

“This is an outstanding value for the quality: well made and balanced in ripeness and approach. Soft richly layered red fruit is met by a breadth and length of tamed acidity and tannin, the oak supportive but never in the way.” – Virginie Boone, January 2020

TURNBULL

2017 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



FORBES

“Turnbull was first established in the Oakville AVA (American Viticultural Area) of Napa in 1979 and is considered one of Oakville’s founding wineries. Turnbull Wine Cellars has been owned by Patrick O’Dell since 1993 and he has quietly devoted his time and energy towards making wines using only estate-grown grapes and that mission has been further highlighted with the addition of Peter Heitz as winemaker in 2007 as there has been an intense focus on the diversity and character of each plot under his guidance.

2017 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

The Oakville Reserve bottling comes entirely from the Fortuna and Leopoldina Vineyards. An **alluring** smoky quality right off the bat with hints of sandalwood and charcoal that had a lifted floral note with lush blueberry flavors and had a fun finish with upheaved earth, fresh sage and chocolate covered cherries; plenty of weight upfront that evolves to a more focused wine mid-palate giving it energy and making **this bottle too tempting to finish in one sitting.**” – Cathrine Todd, June 2020

WINE SPECTATOR’S INSIDER WEEKLY

93 Points: Outstanding; a wine of superior character and style

“A First look at Our Editors’ Most Exciting New Wines”

“This is the final installment of our 3-part series focusing on the latest Napa Valley Cabernet reviews. Following stellar reviews of late-release 2016 Cabernets and then a first look at impressive 2017 Cabernets, this edition features **star producers.**

2017 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

Features cassis, cherry and raspberry puree flavors that show nice vibrancy, with a supple texture, alluring spice shadings and a late hint of apple wood. Stays plush and polished overall. Drink now through 2030.” – James Molesworth, July 2020

JEBDUNNUCK.COM

92+ Points

“There are around 1,000 cases of the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve, a **complex, complete wine** with lots of blue and black fruits, unsmoked tobacco, new leather, and damp earth aromas and flavors. Rich, medium to full-bodied, it has the firm, present tannins of the vintage yet solid ripeness, purity, and length.” – Jeb Dunnuck, January 2020

THE PRESS DEMOCRAT

★★★★ 4/5 Stars; Highly recommended

“A savory cab with notes of blackberry, cassis or black currant, anise and a hint of tobacco. Firm tannins. **Lovely.**” – Peg Melnik, January 2021

TURNBULL

2017 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



WINE & SPIRITS

91 Points: Delicious, compelling; a compelling wine of its region; a delicious, finessed expression of place

“Year’s Best US Cabernet and Blends”

“This heady cabernet is massive and smooth. Whitney Asher of Brava in Lenox, Mass., described it as ‘nimble—as in, an-elephant-dancing-on-a-ball nimble.’ It’s a big wine, built for a steakhouse.” – Josh Greene, December 2020

WINE ADVOCATE

90 Points

“Deep purple-black colored, the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve opens with expressive blackcurrant cordial, mocha and baked plums notes leading to hints of sautéed herbs, charcoal and tree bark. Medium to full-bodied, the palate has firm, chewy tannins and takes a little dip in the middle before emerging to finish on an earthy note.” – Lisa Perrotti-Brown, October 2019

JAMESSUCKLING.COM

90 Points

“A soft, fruity red with aromas and flavors of currants, berries, light chocolate and some walnuts. Medium to full body, round tannins and a flavorful finish. Very enjoyable now.” – James Suckling, February 2020

VINOGRAPHY

Between 9 and 9.5 Points out of 10

“Closer to home the **2017 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon** offers a few pleasant surprises from Napa. Namely, (relatively) restrained alcohol, well integrated wood, and a price that while high for most people remains relatively humble for Napa.

2017 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

Very dark garnet in the glass, this wine smells of black cherry and cassis. In the mouth, black cherry and cola flavors have a nice brightness thanks to excellent acidity. Fleecy, muscular tannins grasp the fruit and put on the squeeze as the wine finishes with floral and cola notes. The wood is well integrated and the wine balanced, despite its richness. At 14.2% alcohol it is also on the leaner side of Napa Cabernet generally.” – Alder Yarrow, July 2020

THE SOUTH FLORIDA REPORTER

“Founded in 1979, this Oakville property flies below the radar. But **its property offers spectacular fruit that makes its way into this special wine** from the estate’s Fortuna and Leopoldina vineyards. Dark fruit aromas with rich, forward plum and blackberry flavors.” – Tom Marquardt and Patrick Darr, August 2020

TURNBULL

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CABERNET SAUVIGNON



HOUSTON CHRONICLE

19.3/20 (9.3 for quality, 10 for value)

“Cab is King: Our tasters bow to these”

“Today, I’m saluting the best cabs that I and several of my fellow Chronicle tasters have sampled in recent weeks. Not surprisingly, many of Napa Valley’s heavyweights made the cut. After all, there’s no better terroir on the planet to grow Bordeaux’s signature Left Bank varietal, Bordeaux’s Left Bank included.

2017 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

The wine, which has a little cab franc and a tiny bit of malbec in the blend, earned scores of at least 90 from six national critics. The Wine Enthusiast (93) says it offers ‘outstanding value for the quality.’ I agree.” – Dale Robertson, January 2021

THE COLORADO SPRINGS GAZETTE

“Treat yourself with these wines”

“So, maybe you got a gift card or some cash over the holidays and you’ve decided to treat yourself to an exceptional wine — something for a special occasion, a bottle you’ve always wanted but couldn’t afford, or maybe something that says ‘good riddance 2020; let’s get 2021 off to a better start.’ The following suggestions are the best wines I tasted this past year that I haven’t already reviewed.

An obvious choice is to pick up a highly coveted California cabernet sauvignon:

2017 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

Established in 1979, Turnbull has remained small and focused on Bordeaux varieties, especially cabernet sauvignon. Fashioned from two estate vineyards in the Oakville appellation, this wine deftly delivers intensity with equilibrium and luscious components.” – Rich Mauro, January 2021

RED WINE WITH BREAKFAST

“Wine of the Day”

“For over forty years Turnbull Wines has been celebrating the terroir of Oakville, highlighting the earthy graphite and crushed stone elements that volcanic and alluvial soils give to their concentrated Cabernet Sauvignon fruit. Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon (\$85) is the signature of the winery, showcasing a barrel selection of premium estate fruit throughout the eastern part of the AVA filled with these mineral-rich volcanic soils. With dense texture, blending rustic tannins with freshness, the wine is balanced and concentrated, revealing black and blue fruits like blueberry, blackberry, and black cherry, melding with licorice, pencil lead, toasted spice, and cedar.” – Hayley Hamilton Cogill, July 2020

TURNBULL

2016 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



WINE SPECTATOR

94 Points: Outstanding; a wine of superior character and style

“Future Rewards: How to build a cellar of ageworthy wines without breaking the bank”

“California is among the wine world’s most prominent regions for cellarworthy, collectible reds, driven primarily by Cabernet from Napa Valley. These reds can be approachable in their youth, delivering rich texture and copious fruit. But they age well, too.

Here, we recommend **some terrific, well-priced wines** to increase your options.

Buy & Hold

2016 Turnbull Oakville Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon

Solidly built, with layers of warm cassis, cherry puree and raspberry coulis stretching out over long, fine-grained tannins and juicy acidity. The plushness of the sweet fruit marries wonderfully with the grippy underlay on the lengthy finish. Best from 2022 through 2035.” – James Molesworth, February 2021

VINOUS

94 Points

“The 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve is **another stellar wine** in this range. **Aside from being absolutely delicious, the Reserve offers superb quality for the money, especially by Napa Valley standards.** Black cherry, chocolate, leather, smoke, spice and menthol are all generous in the glass, with the textural breadth that is such a signature of Eastern Oakville very much on display. This ample, inviting Cabernet will drink well with minimal cellaring. Fruit sources are Weitz and Fortuna.” – Antonio Galloni, December 2018

JEBDUNNUCK.COM

94 Points

“The 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve from Oakville is **a brilliant wine**, and as Napa goes, has to be considered a smoking value. Crème de cassis, black cherries, damp earth, graphite, and spring flower notes all emerge from this full-bodied, **beautifully concentrated, majestic Napa Cabernet** that has sweet tannins and the **purity and class** of the 2016 vintage front and center. It's a step up over the 2015 and **absolutely worth checking out.**” – Jeb Dunnuck, January 2019

TURNBULL

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WINE SPECTATOR

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WINE ADVOCATE

93 Points

“Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve features vibrant blackcurrants, black cherries and redcurrants scents with nuances of cedar chest, pencil lead, lavender and bay leaves. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is elegantly crafted with plush tannins and bags of black and red fruit layers, finishing on a savory note.” – Lisa Perrotti-Brown, October 2018

JAMESSUCKLING.COM

92 Points

“Some very ripe and slightly tarry aromas on the nose here with a wealth of blackcurrants weighing in on the palate. This offers a very plush, sweetly fruited finish with oak that delivers creamed-spice notes. Plush. Drink or hold.” – James Suckling, November 2018

WINE ENTHUSIAST

92 Points; Cellar Selection

“Woody cedar, tobacco and peppercorn line the road to a brawny and substantial experience of full-bodied concentration in this reserve-worthy red that offers value for the price. Firm, expansive tannins wrap around black currant and black cherry as a thick finish awaits. Enjoy from 2026–2031.” – Virginie Boone, May 2019

TURNBULL

2015 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



WINE ENTHUSIAST

95 Points

“Why Oakville’s Luxurious Napa Cabernets Still Reign Supreme”

“This is a grainy, herbal red wine, boldly tannic and softly smooth in texture. It takes on mountain airs of sage, clove and tobacco, with a brushy graininess that adds complexity and intrigue. Blackberry, black cherry and currant give a tart fruitiness to the flavor.” – Virginie Boone, June 2018

WORTH

94 Points

“There’s a kind of elegance that some powerful cabernets can possess, and it makes them sensational. This Turnbull is one—a majestic wine of structure, purity, extraordinary precision, and sheer deliciousness. To be this good, a cabernet can’t be dull and overripe. Indeed, it must possess a subtle spine of acidity so that the wine feels alive and vivid. I can’t think of a better wine for Father’s Day.” – Karen MacNeil

WINE ADVOCATE

93 Points

“Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve has a baked black cherries, black berries and wild blueberries-scented nose with hints of lavender, pencil shavings and earth plus a touch of cloves. The palate is full-bodied and bursting with black berry and earthy flavors, supported by soft, rounded tannins and finishing with a hint of pepper.” – Lisa Perrotti-Brown, December 2017

JEBDUNNUCK.COM

93+ Points

“The 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve offers lots of blackcurrant and blueberry fruit as well as notes of graphite, licorice, and scorched earth. Picking up a distinct violet character with time in the glass, it has full-bodied richness, a concentrated, firm, structured style, good acidity, and a great finish. It’s a backward, structured, potential-packed beauty that needs 3-4 years of bottle age and will keep for two decades.” – Jeb Dunnuck, December 2017

VINOUS

92 Points

“The 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Oakville Reserve is a blend of fruit from the Fortuna and Leopoldina (Weitz) vineyards. Supple, pliant and inviting, the Reserve is a gorgeous wine for drinking now and over the next handful of years. Succulent dark cherry, mocha, new leather, spice, menthol and dark spice add nuance to the voluptuous, racy finish. This is another striking wine from Turnbull.” – Antonio Galloni, March 2018

TURNBULL

2015 | OAKVILLE RESERVE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON



JAMESSUCKLING.COM

92 Points

“Plenty of burnt-orange character as well as some ripe stemminess, underbrush, licorice and tar. There's quite a lot of plum fruit on the palate, but the acidity lifts the full body and round, juicy tannins to the long finish. Drink in 2021.” – James Suckling, December 2017

DRINK INSIDER

“Turnbull Rising From The Heart of Napa Valley”

“A few weeks after the Boston Turnbull event, I had a chance to spend a little more time with the newly released 2015 vintage of Turnbull's Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon. This wine, according to the website, is ‘the pinnacle of what Oakville represents and tastes like each vintage.’

It's also a great representation of what this winery is all about.

Turnbull's Reserve Cabernet is a great showcase of intensity and precision.

The wine shows a collective voice of the winery's estate vineyards and presents a knockout perspective of the 2015 vintage in Oakville—a vintage that's proving to be stellar. The wine's got serious structure, layered with concentrated dark fruit, bold tannins, herbaceous undertones, cedar and sweet spice. It overtakes your mouth like a giant bear hug and grips you for an incredibly long finish that goes on forever.

It's an excellent wine.

And now, with that golden bull shining bright on the center of its label, carrying with it the mark of recent 100-point scores, I have to wonder if Turnbull will be able to remain that ‘under-the-radar’ winery on Highway 29. Guess we'll have to wait and see. But, in the meantime, I'd suggest you go out and buy some of their wines.” – November 2017