

## 2002 Corison Kronos Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2002 growing season was long and cool with a couple of heat spikes in early October that served to bring grapes home. A shy crop produced complex, concentrated flavors draped over flawless structure. Norm Roby writes in Decanter: "2002 may change the way many international wine lovers think about California Cabernet Sauvignon. The finest and most typical wines avoid that juicy-jammy opulent style that is so obvious but often lets you down in the finish."

Plums, spice and floral perfume abound. Managing to be powerful and elegant at the same time, this is a classic vintage for Kronos Vineyard. Only 250 cases were produced. ~ Cathy Corison

## **California Grapevine**

Medium-dark purplish ruby; attractive, fragrant, spicy, cedary, dark currant and blackberry fruit aroma with hints of black licorice; full body; rich, supple, smoky, concentrated, ripe blackberry fruit flavors with a smooth, velvety mouth feel; full tannin; lingering aftertaste. Approachable and enjoyable to taste now, showing good depth of fruit. **Very highly recommended**.

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## **Dan Berger's Vintage Experiences**

Exceptional Cedar and spice notes with great herb, tart-cherry aroma and a subtle, classic taste and structure (13.8% alcohol). A great wine.

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## Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar

Ruby-red. Red cherry, currant, plum and a floral note on the nose; this struck me as rather Burgundian. Supple, fresh and sweet, with juicy flavors of plum, cherry, mint and flowers. Offers enticing complexity and cut. Finishes with very sweet, fine-grained tannins. The 35-year-old vines here typically yield just a ton and a half of fruit per acre. This benchland cabernet produces ripe flavors and ripe tannins early, but the St. George rootstock helps to slow down sugar accumulation, notes Corison, who added that this wine has less than 14% alcohol. 91(+?).

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