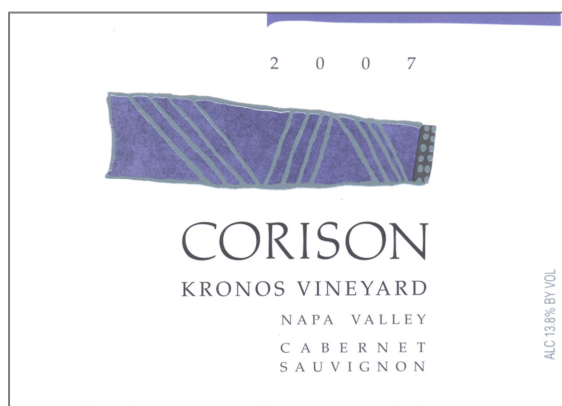


2007 Corison *Kronos Vineyard* Cabernet Sauvignon



2007 was one of those vintages that makes winemaking look easy. The weather was ideal at flowering, yielding a good-sized crop. Perfect, even ripening weather prevailed all season with nary a heat spike in August and September.

The 2007 is one of my favorite Kronos Cabernets to date. Spicy aromas integrate with dark, brooding black cherry, boysenberry and cassis fruit. I love the prominent mineral note in the aromas and the signature viscosity and velvety tannins make it lush. All this at moderate alcohol!

- Cathy Corison, March 2011

Retrospective Reviews:

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The Majesty of Time - 25 Years of Corison's Kronos Cabernet

Very dark garnet in the glass, this wine smells of pencil lead, blueberries, and black cherry. In the mouth, black cherry and blueberry flavors are incredibly bright and stony with notes of dried herbs and dried flowers. Powdery, muscular tannins coat the mouth and gorgeous acidity lingers in the finish with notes of citrus peel. Score: between **9.5** and **10**.

Alder Yarrow, Vinography, December 3, 2024

Decanter

93 A bit shy on the nose, revealing dusty minerals, red-toned fruits, dried florals, a hint of pulverised graphite, and bright lilacs. Rich and elevating on the palate, with spiced plum fruit, dark cherry, and powdery, pixelated tannins that spread across the palate with pinpoint precision. The intensity builds through the long finish, unfurling layers of wild herbs, dark cacao, liquorice, and cool, wet slate.

Jonathan Cristaldi, Decanter Magazine, 27 Oct 2024

Jancis Robinson
JancisRobinson.com

17.5 Ruby-black core with a bit more transparency than the densest vintages. Star bright in the glass. Aromatics lift from the glass with lovely subtlety and a mix of floral, fruit and earth notes.

The gunpowder, iron elements common to the site certainly show here. Fruits offer a mix of cherries with firm, fresh, mixed currants as well. Plenty of flavour on the palate with earthy and cedar notes. Fine-grained tannin housed in mouth-watering acidity together carry into an ultra-long finish with a cashmere mouthfeel. There is something luxurious to this wine – it is pretty, and very slightly lush, while still carrying firm fruits and earthy depth. There is certainly less structural intensity than in a vintage like the 2001 or 1999 but the structure here is fine-grained, finessed and persistent. With air it begins to show some ultra-dark chocolate notes. Quite a lovely wine. 13.8% Drink 2018-2035

Elaine Chukan Brown, jancisrobinson.com, 3/12/19

WINE ADVOCATE

97 Medium garnet colored, the 2007 Cabernet Sauvignon Kronos Vineyard leaps from the glass with mature, beautifully expressive baking spice and incense notions with a core of mincemeat pie, potpourri, preserved plums and dried mulberries plus a waft of fragrant earth. Medium-bodied, the palate possesses compelling harmony and plenty of subtext with layer upon layer of spice and perfumed black fruit preserves, finishing with great length and depth. Drink Date 2018-2035

Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Wine Advocate, 31 Aug 2018

VIEW FROM THE CELLAR

93 The 2007 Kronos Vineyard cabernet from Corison is a lovely bottle that stays nicely under the fourteen percent threshold of alcohol, tipping the scales at 13.8 percent. The deep, complex and very pure nose offers up a classy mélange of black cherries, cigar smoke, a nice touch of fresh herbs, a beautiful base of Rutherford Bench soil tones, a dollop of dried eucalyptus and a stylish base of new wood. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied, suave and youthfully elegant, with a fine core of fruit, ripe tannins, excellent focus and superb length and grip on the pure and beautifully balanced finish. This is a fine, fine bottle in the making. 2015-2040.

John Gilman, View from the Cellar, Issue #69, June 2017



Ruby-red. Black cherry, boysenberry, licorice and minerals on the nose, plus a hint of bitter chocolate. Plush, broad and dry, with violet and crushed rock elements energizing the dark berry and bitter chocolate flavors and giving the middle palate a light touch. A faintly peppery quality contributes to the wine's lift. A captivating, very precise Cabernet in a cooler style for the vintage and for Napa Valley in general. Finishes lightly herbal and quite long, with a smooth dusting of tannins and lovely perfumed lift.

Stephen Tanzer, Vinous.com, May 2017

Napa Valley Then & Now

A perfectly balanced, lovely wine that delivers great impact in the mouth while still providing an overall feeling of weightlessness. Such is the magic of Cathy Corison, whose wines consistently manage to express power with grace. Black cherries, red apple skin, cocoa powder, and pine combine to form the nose of this youthful yet complete wine.

Kelli White, 2015

Reviews Upon Release:



★★★★ Very supple in texture and full bodied, this is a stylish, well balanced, intensely flavored Cabernet (cassis, boysenberry, rose petal, toast, cherry, blueberry) with a very long finish. Elegant, but can be aged.

Ronn Wiegand, Restaurant Wine, Issues #141-143, 2012



Medium-dark ruby color; attractive, forward, intense, cassis and black cherry fruit aroma with a slight dusty note and hints of espresso and milk chocolate; medium-full to full body; forward, rich, textured, herbal, spicy, dark cherry and berry fruit flavors with firm acidity and touches of vanilla and graphite; medium-full to full

tannin; lingering aftertaste. Shows distinctive varietal character and while approachable now it deserves another five years of bottle aging. **Very highly recommended.**

California Grapevine Vol. 37, #5, October-November 2011



CORISON Kronos Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2007

Very much adhering to the Corison style of mannerly and well-focused wines of precision, the 2007 Kronos trades muscle for grace but sacrifices little in the way richness or depth. It is not wildly tannic but is nonetheless structured for keeping,

and, if always accessible and fairly light on its feet, it will continue to grow and find a little more nuance and more polish yet as the years come and go.

Connoisseurs' Guide to California Wine, December 2011



Stephen Tanzer's

International

Wine Cellar

Good deep red-ruby. Aromas of black- and redcurrant and bitter chocolate... with strong acidity keeping the brooding dark fruit and mineral flavors under wraps today. This, too, is quite dry and classic and will probably require a decade of

aging. Best today on the broad, long finish, which shows serious tannic spine, a flavor of black cherry, and strong soil tones and minerality.

Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar, May 2010