



1997 Corison Kronos Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

Kronos Vineyard Cabernets are unique for their intensity of dark, brooding plum, cassis and blackberry fruit, floral notes on the nose and a wonderful broad, silky feel in the mouth. The 1997 vintage is a precious jewel in a string of great vintages from the 1990's. A warm, early spring was followed by a moderate, even summer allowing the fruit to reach optimal maturity slowly. The 1997 has delightfully layered earthy, chocolate, anise, coffee and tar notes to complement its juicy fruit flavors for a remarkably complex wine.

~ Cathy Corison, March 2001

Decanter

95 Ruby red in the glass, bricking at the rim. Riper dark cherry aromas emerge, along with smoky mineral notes and cedarwood. Medium-bodied, with vibrant cranberry and cherry fruit and dried currant, tobacco, bay laurel, and sage, underscored by a saline minerality. The tannins are fine, firm, and expressive, giving this wine plenty of power and tension.

Jonathan Cristaldi, *Decanter Magazine*, 27 Oct 2024

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

Medium ruby in color, this wine smells (shockingly given the wine's age) of blueberries and cherries. In the mouth, gorgeous acidity makes mouthwatering flavors of cherry, blueberry, and dried flowers come alive with electric, vibrant acidity. Powdery tannins coat the mouth and leave a faint gauzy quality across the palate. Herbs and dried flowers linger in the finish. Outstanding. **Score: around 9.5.**

Alder Yarrow, *Vinography*, December 3, 2024

Jancis Robinson

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17 Deep ruby colour. The palate...offers notes of black cherry, cedar and cigar box, and both crystalline and ferric earthy elements within the mushroom reduction. Cracked-pepper accents move through the finish. The 1997 vintage offers more richness, darker tones, power of presence, and apparent tannin than the 1996 while still remaining relatively light on its feet. An impressively long finish. The tannin is broad while still supple, with good balancing, lengthy acidity.

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

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Antonio Galloni

Medium red. Fully mature aromas of currant, plum, smoky oak and animal fur. Conveys a sexy decadent quality to its sweet raspberry and currant fruit, with firm, somewhat pronounced acidity giving shape and lift to the middle palate. This rather complex, classically styled Cabernet, which derives some lift by subtle herbal notes, boasts a complicating element of salinity and finishes with dusty tannins and very good length.

Stephen Tanzer, *Vinous*, March 2017

NAPA VALLEY THEN & NOW

Warm red cherries, allspice, caraway, mint, and forest floor combine to form the nose of this cheerful, exotic wine. On the palate, it still shows great tension, mostly communicated through the notable acidity, as the tannins are ripe and soft.

Kelli White, *Napa Valley Then & Now*, 2015

California GRAPEVINE

Medium-dark ruby; attractive, intense, complex, spicy, cedary, ripe currant, blackberry, and cassis aroma with a note of black pepper; full body; big, rich, concentrated, dense, cedary, ripe currant and black cherry fruit flavors with hints of tar and coffee; medium-full tannin... lingering aftertaste. **Very highly recommended.**

California Grapevine, February-March 2001