## Winespirits 30 Annual BUYING GUIDE SPECIAL ISSUE

100 Best Wines

100 Best Buys

TOP 100 Wineries of 2016



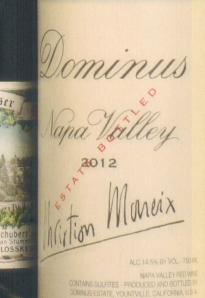


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95 Heitz

2010 Napa Valley Martha's Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon The remarkable aspect of this wine is its texture and weight, its flavors complete and fully concentrated into something as ephemeral as the brush of a silk scarf. It's a gracious cabernet, sunny but not sweet-distinctly savory in the way its tannins cool the bright red fruit. This vinevard tucked into the western benchlands of Oakville benefits from the cooler morning sun, the vines organically farmed on alluvial gravels by the May family. Whatever eucalyptus influence there may be from the trees surrounding the vines reads in this vintage as green olive and black licorice rather than mintiness. As W&S senior editor Luke Sykora pointed out, "This has a gentle firmness, what people initially liked about Napa Valley cabernet in the 1950s and '60s." (WざS 8/16; 2,150 cases) Heitz Wine Cellars, St. Helena, CA



Five of our Top 100:

Fleury, Blandy's, C. von Schubert, Dominus and Ochota Barrels