

THE
BOARDROOM

*Fall 2020 - Longboard 2 NorCal
... But Equal*

Grgich Hills Estate: Chardonnay 2016

**100% Chardonnay – American Canyon & Carneros, Southern Napa – Decanter: 97, Wine Enthusiast: 93,
Parker: 92**

385 kr

This new 2016 vintage thoroughly delighted Decanter, who loved it a whole lotta 97 points. Grgich sources the fruit from their coolest vineyard in Carneros as well as the cool and windy American Canyon. 2016 saw a near-perfect growing season with beautiful, even temperatures. The style is classic with only 10 months in 25% new, French foudres and no malolactic fermentation. This is a beautiful, bright Chardonnay that Decanter called “stunningly complex with aromas of smoke, brioche, toast and a little flintiness.” Decanter also applauded it as “a classy wine with such potential to develop further.” So please, cellar it if you can!

Best: 2022-2026

Peirson Meyer: Pinot Noir Miller Vineyard 2015

100% Pinot Noir – Miller Vineyard, Russian River Valley – 165 cases - Parker: 92, Galloni: 92

425 kr

The Miller vineyard is a classic expression of Russian River Valley: Planted in ancient, soft Goldridge soils away from the sun and on the valley floor. It saw 14 months in 35% new, French oak, which makes this a hearty and lush, but still earthy, Pinot. It’s soft and silky with lots of black cherry flavour and savoury layers. As with all of Peirson Meyer’s fine wines, the production is miniscule – only 165 cases for this one. Try it with roast pork, duck or lamb shanks.

Best: Now-2023

Argot: Bastard Tongue Pinot Noir 2017

100% Pinot Noir – Sonoma – 193 cases – Jeb Dunnock: 94

625 kr

Winemaker Justin Harmon’s best-known Pinot, the Bastard Tongue, heralds from three vineyards in Sonoma County. 2017 was a vintage that saw very small, concentrated yields. With a full 20 months in 100% new, French oak, this is as full-bodied as Pinots come – and it still keeps its varietal character with bright, red fruit, freshness and complex undertones. Dunnock called this wine a “beauty” with “a layered, seamless texture, nicely integrated acidity, and a great finish.”

Best: 2022-2028

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Bedrock: Drummond's Cuvee 2015

100% Petite Sirah – Eaglepoint Ranch, Mendocino & Palisades, Napa Valley – Parker: 96

425 kr

From the lighter Pinots we go straight to the dark side. Really dark side. This full-bodied Petite Sirah is tight right now and needs a good amount of decanting – even overnight – but it'll be well-worth the wait. Depth, complexity and tannins are keywords here. Look for notes of graphite, incense, camphor, blueberry and blackberry liqueur. Pair it with curries or next-next-next summer's BBQ. Oh, and parting words from a Mr. Robert Parker: "Everybody should recognize the incredible speed at which Morgan Twain-Peterson has built his Bedrock Wine Co. into a world-class performer. Moreover, few people have done more to preserve and save heritage/ancient-vine vineyards than Peterson. His commitment to excellence is something to admire."

Best: 2025 -2035

Honig: Cabernet Sauvignon Bartolucci Vineyard 2015

100% Cabernet Sauvignon – Bartolucci Vineyard, St. Helena – Appr. 450 cases – Galloni: 93, Wine & Spirits: 93, Suckling: 92, CellarTracker: 92, Wine Spectator: 91

725 kr

We brought this special single-vineyard Cab in for our Boardroom members – and we even cellared it for you first. If you're a Napa Cab lover, we promise it won't disappoint! This is among Honig's finest and most sought-after wines. The Bartolucci family has been farming their vineyard at the base of Spring Mountain in St. Helena for three generations, and to be able to get any fruit from it is a victory in itself. "This is one of the best wines I have tasted from Honig in some time" is how Galloni put it, and continues: "Bold and racy to the core, the Bartolucci has so much to offer." It was raised for 18 months in 50% new, French oak, and the tannins still give this wine a firm grip around its core of red currants and black plums.

Best: 2022-2030

Keplinger: Fuego Y Mar 2015

100% Syrah – Silver Eagle Vineyard, Sonoma Coast – 150 cases - Jeb Dunnock: 97, CellarTracker: 94

750 kr

We round off our Boardroom lineup with this beauty! An incredible kudo – and 97 points – to Helen's winemaking from these rocky and weather-beaten hillside parcels on the Sonoma Coast (hence the name) where ancient sea floor and volcanic soils take in the fresh Pacific air. Jeb called this "an irresistible cool-climate Syrah that will keep for a decade or more". This is a Hermitage-style Syrah: Dark, rich, dense and yet silky on the palate. Pair it with equally bold food such as beef short ribs or venison.

Best: 2022 – 2030