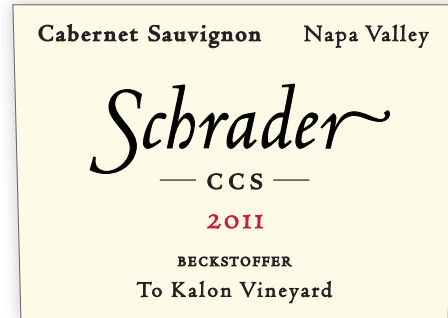


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HISTORIC CABERNETS FROM THE NAPA VALLEY

Schrader CCS Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage	2011
Vineyard	Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard
Appellation	Napa Valley, Oakville
Varietal	Cabernet Sauvignon
Composition	Pure Clone 4
Cooperage	Aged 20 months in rare Darnajou French oak barrels
Winemaker	Thomas Brown



Profile

Massive and multi-dimensional, this pure clone 4 Cabernet masterfully balances its tremendous intensity with elegance and subtlety. This lavishly concentrated wine reveals gorgeous layers of blue and black fruit, creme de cassis, blueberry pie, licorice and delicious creamy oak. Handcrafted in the most natural methods possible, the wine offers spectacular integration of acidity and tannins. The immense richness and seamless texture, combined with the wine's extended finish, create an incomparable experience.

Vintage

The 2011 vintage was the most challenging harvest we have ever experienced in Napa Valley. In short, the vintage separated producers based on their attention to detail in the vineyard and experience, where timely decision-making became integral to the outcome of the harvest. Extreme reductions in the vineyard were followed by single berry sorting at the winery. In the end, we harvested a very small yet remarkably high quality crop. We are thrilled, though not at all surprised, that winemaker Thomas Brown brilliantly navigated Mother Nature's gauntlet to produce an exquisite portfolio of wines.

Critical Praise

Rated 95 Usually my favorite cuvee, the Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard CCS is a beauty in 2011. Made in a showy, flamboyant style, it boasts a dense ruby/purple color as well as sweet notes of creme de cassis, violets, licorice, forest floor and new oak. This supple, round effort is one of the superstars of this challenging vintage. It should drink well for 10-15 years or longer.

— Robert Parker, *The Wine Advocate*