

Bartinney Private Cellar

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Tucked away down a winding lane, perched hillside this small producer ploughs its own furrough.



Vintage Score best drinking

Noble Savage Sauvignon Blanc

R

2017: overt stone fruit nose and same dry mineral palate, hints of melon and real grapefruit punch, if rather brief.	2017	84	2017-2024
2018: very dry with a light mouthfeel, stony minerality but fades quickly.	2018	85	2018-2025
2019: very pale with a talcum powder sweet nose then tart citrus fruits, very bright and brief.	2019	84	2019-2025

Sauvignon Blanc

RR

	2009	89	2009-2013
2011: pale lime hue, green fig and citrus and grapefruit. Generous and balanced with toasty char and refreshing mouthfeel.	2011	86	2011-2017
2017: very pale but fresh, green citrus and herbs, steely if brief.	2017	84	2017-2024
2018: steely aromas and palate, lemon and citrus in a dry and mid weighted style.	2018	86	2018-2026
2020: pale again, with bright lemon citrus fruit punch, medium bodied with a softer dry finish.	2020	86	2020-2026

Noble Savage Chenin Blanc

R

2017: like the name, rather brutish in its bold fruit attack, lots of restrained tropical notes and crunchy acidity, simple and brief.	2017	83	2017-2024
2018: watery depth and a musty, cheesy nose over a weighty, lemon wax body, finishing nicely.	2018	87	2018-2025
2019: bright and frisky, with muted yellow fruits, green apple and floral notes, lacking depth and richness.	2019	84	2019-2025

Montegray Chenin Blanc RR

2017: bright and crisp, apple and quince with good weight and a pleasant rasping texture, interesting.	2017	89	2019-2028
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Montegray Grenache Blanc/Roussanne RR

2016: charming, perfumed and viscous, with clean peach and honeysuckle notes, gentle and compelling mouthfeel, delicious.	2016	91	2017-2025
2018: medium straw tinge, shy nose, very dry and textured, with floral notes and muted yellow fruits and herbs.	2018	88	2018-2026

Chardonnay RR

	2008	87	2008-2012
2011: oaky notes subside to buttery citrus fruit. Powerful but not heavy, full bodied and lively.,	2011	88	2010-2017
2016: lots of oak and buttery MLF, weighty peach fruit but crisper on finish, clean and precise.	2016	86	2016-2026
2017: mid hue and depth with rich texture and wood notes, lots of orange fruits.	2017	86	2017-2027
2018: light gold and creamy oak effect, rich and full then more precise lemon and sinewy orange, very	2018	92	2019-2028

good. A big step up.

Hourglass Chardonnay

RRRR

2015: light gold, clean and precise, beautiful fruit quality, complex and cerebral, whilst fine and long.

2015 92 2015-2027

2016: deep straw gloss, smoky campfire oaked nose and full soft layered stone fruit with creamy note, staying deft throughout.

2016 92 2017-2028

Noble Savage Cabernet Sauvignon Rosé

R

2011: vibrant, sweet nose, juicy fruit with tight acidity finishing with tasty strawberry flavours. Well made and enjoyable.

2011 83 2011-2015

2017: dry, with red berry compote nose, rather confected tackiness and fleeting.

2017 84 2017-2023

2019: orange-pink hue, candied nose, red berry and quite fresh and easy feeling despite being off-dry.

2019 84 2019-2024

2020: nicely restrained on the nose and palate, with lively summer fruit and melon, firm and dry.

2020 85 2020-2026

Montegray Grenache

RR

2017: pale and glossy, very dry with subtle pomegranate and cherry flavours, quite robust and nicely underworked.

2017 88 2018-2027

Montegray Petit Verdot

RR

2015: inky depth at age six, lip-smacking blue hedgerow fruits, some spice and currants, dry and grippy.

2015 90 2017-2026

2017: opaque depths and bold, if firm, intense dark and blue fruits, becoming round and fine in the mouth and

2017 91 2018-2028

lingering nicely.

Noble Savage Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot R

2009: mid weight, soft and supple with cherry and wood tannins. Nice drinking.	2009 83 2009-2015
2013: at 5 years feeling disjointed and rather brutish, dark fruit medley, if rather edgy.	2013 81 2014-2020
2014: big step up, showing dusty cedar tannins, generous soft dark fruits and a friendly mouthfeel, great value.	2014 87 2015-2024

Cabernet Sauvignon RRR

2009: plum fruit very forward, chunky and serious with firm tannins and a long cassis finish.	2009 91 2010-2019
2013: some fading but fruit still has attack, dark, rural with mocha and bitter chocolate, quite juicy.	2013 87 2014-2024
2014: savoury raspberry and forest dark fruit notes, hedgerow rusticity and nicely comforting.	2014 86 2015-2026
2015: mid weighted with a juicy nose and lots of blackcurrant and earth hint, quite supple and finishing tight.	2015 90 2017-2027
2016: released at age five still with ruby-mauve core, mushroom, wood and earthy notes, tactile tannins and dry structured grip.	2016 90 2018-2027
2017: deep purple from barrel, lip-smacking freshness and acidity, wood notes, dry and with classy fruit, very nice and will get better.	2017 90 2021-2032
2019: barrel sample shows a pale purple hue, sweet mulberry core, ripe fruit mouthfeel, dry and grippy wood tannins.	2019 89 2021-2028

Skyfall RRR

2012: some fading at age six, leather and game notes over wild fruits in a restrained Old World style.	2012	87	2013-2024
2014: deeply tinted, intense dry nose and sumptuous dark currant fruit core, very fine and classy, layered and elegant.	2014	93	2016-2026

Montegray Syrah

RRR

2015: already some game tertiary nuances over red berry ripe fruit layers, fine and sweet.	2015	89	2016-2027
2016: deep and overt with soft and fullish spicy warm fruits, easy-going and mellow if modest.	2016	87	2017-2026

Elevage

RRR

2011: released at eight years and showing sinewy wood, tertiary notes then dark fruit and silky feel, delicious.	2011	90	2012-2022
2012: at age eight still cherry hued and holding its vibrant mixed fruits, oak is there and the finish is smooth and dry.	2012	90	2013-2024
2013: some fade at age eight, but full coloured and clean, with fresh berry notes, herbs and wood, balanced and silky smooth.	2013	92	2015-2026