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"This estate has hit pay dirt with their 2013s and 2014s, and the quality here continues to skyrocket. While they bring in a who's who list of top winemakers for these cuvees, the day to day winemaking is handled by Gilles Nicault, who's an unquestionably terrific winemaker in his own right." - **Jeb Dunnuck**



Pedestal 2014 Merlot By Michel Rolland

"I loved the 2014 Pedestal Merlot and it's 81% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Malbec and 2% Petit Verdot. It offers a downright voluptuous and incredibly sexy style in its ripe black currants, toasted spice, chocolate and licorice aromas and flavors. Broad, expansive, layered and pleasure bent, with ripe tannin, it's a knockout Merlot that's going to have 10-15 years of drinkability."

Pirouette 2014 Bordeaux-style Blend By Philippe Melka

"Made by Philippe Melka, the 2014 Pirouette checks in as a blend of 57% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Petit Verdot, 17% Merlot, 7% Cab Franc and a splash of Malbec. This inky colored beauty gives up tons of graphite, toasted spice, dried herbs and chocolatey dark fruit, full-bodied richness, building, ripe tannin and a great finish. It's another killer wine from this estate, and possibly the best to date."



Sequel 2014 Syrah By John Duval

"Made by John Duval, the 2014 Syrah Sequel is a sexy beast of a Syrah (there's a splash of Cabernet Sauvignon in the blend) that was brought up all in small barrels. Deep, inky colored, with a huge nose of black fruits, chocolate, smoke meats and licorice, it's a powerhouse on the palate and gives up full-bodied flavors, ripe, polished tannin and a great finish."

Saggi 2014 Super Tuscan-style Blend By A&G Folonari

"The 2014 Saggi is gorgeous. Black cherry, blackcurrants, licorice, graphite and spice characteristics all give way to a rich, full-bodied, yet incredibly elegant and seamless style on the palate. Given its purity and overall balance, it's going to cruise in the cellar, but it's already hard to resist as well. The blend is 52% Sangiovese, 32% Cabernet Sauvignon and 16% Syrah."

Feather 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon By Randy Dunn

"Made by Napa Valley's Randy Dunn, the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Feather is going to reward those with patience. Clean and pure, with a straight, focused style, it has classic crème de cassis, crushed violets and graphite aromatics, medium to full-bodied richness and fine, polished tannin. It needs 2-3 years of bottle age and will shine over the following decade or more."

Chester Kidder 2012 Proprietary Red By Gilles Nicault Sold Out 93+ points

"Made by Gilles Nicault, the 2013 Chester Kidder (58% Cabernet Sauvignon, 34% Syrah, 5% Petit Verdot and the rest Cabernet Franc) sports an inky color as well as rich, serious notes of blackcurrants, scorched earth and chocolate. Deep, rich and concentrated, with beautiful purity and fine tannin."

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