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2017 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVINGON

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The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon is every bit as impressive as it was last year. A wine of soaring aromatic intensity and extraordinary balance, the 2017 captivates all the senses with its exotic beauty. Ripe red cherry fruit, blood orange, spice, rose petal, menthol and licorice build as the wine gains volume and resonance with a bit of air. Quite simply, the 2017 is breathtaking. Don't miss it. *Published January*, 2020

The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon is the most exotic wine I have ever tasted from Cornell. Powerful and voluptuous in the glass, with tremendous fruit intensity, the 2017 has more than enough energy to balance its decidedly overt leanings. Time in the glass allows more red fruit profile and a measure of vibrancy to unfold. Readers will likely have to be patient with the 2017, as the tannins are quite imposing at this early stage. *Published December*, 2018

A STRIKING HILLSIDE PROPERTY, Cornell is located...not too far from Togni, Pride and Fisher. ... In 2013, proprietors Henry and Vanessa Cornell hired consulting winemaker Françoise Peschon to oversee a complete makeover. Peschon brought in vineyard guru Phil Coturri, who created the plan to redevelop the property and convert the estate to organic farming. Today, all farming is done in house, which is the kind of investment one only sees in properties with very high aspirations ... the just-bottled 2015 hints at what the ultimate potential of this site might be. The wines are done in the contemporary, classically leaning style that has brought Françoise Peschon so much acclaim at Araujo Estate and, more recently, at Vine Hill Ranch. Quite simply, these are gorgeous mountain Cabernets endowed with real class and pedigree.

