Ulysses 2019

Jeb Dunnuck – 97 Points

The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon is mostly Cabernet Sauvignon (90%) with the rest Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Incredible aromatics of red and black currants, spring flowers, graphite, camphor, and cedar define the profile, and it's incredibly polished and elegant on the palate, with medium to full body, gorgeous tannins, and a great finish. This is another outstanding 2019 that marries ample richness and depth with terrific finesse. Drink over the next two decades.

James Suckling – 97 Points

A very elegant wine from the Dominus team that contrasts with most wines from this generally opulent vintage. Opens with red fruit, raspberries and cherries, laced with mineral and savory notes before darker fruit, tobacco, blackcurrant, and rich earth flavors fill the palate. Very silky tannins, a medium body, and refreshing acidity. Composed of Cabernet Sauvignon with touches of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. A superbly balanced wine that's tempting to drink now but best from 2029. – Jim Gordon, Executive Editor.

Vinous – 95 Points

The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon is a very pretty Oakville Cabernet. Bright acids and lifted aromatics meld into a core of dark red-fleshed fruit laced with exotic overtones. A wine of linear intensity, it impresses with persistence and drive. It will be interesting to see if the 2019 develops additional mid-palate richness and depth, as the heavy spring rains and late-summer heat spikes left their mark on this site, which was entirely replanted in 2008. – Antonio Galloni.

Decanter – 95 Points

Alcohol 14.50%. Body Medium. Oak Oaked. Grapes 5% Cabernet Franc, 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot. Tasted by Jonathan Cristaldi (at Ulysses, Oakville, Napa Valley, 06 May 2024). Drinking Window: 2024–2040. This 2019 Ulysses Cabernet opens with red-fruited aromatics, brown baking spice, and a hint of agave, revealing candied blue fruits and dusty minerals. Full-bodied and richly layered, with succulent black fruit and emerging tannins showing black tea-like grip and intensity. Lengthy and spicy with mocha hints on

the finish. A small portion of Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc complement the Cabernet Sauvignon from Christian Moueix's Oakville site.

The Wine Spectator – 93 Points

A rich, slow-moving style, with waves of cassis, plum reduction, and Black Forest cake laced with licorice root and espresso crema. The finish delivers glossy toast notes that should integrate beautifully with cellaring. Best from 2024 through 2038. 1,200 cases made. – James Molesworth.