L.A. Lepiane Santa Barbara



Malvasia Bianca 2019

Gorgeously scented and immediately engaging, combining almond blossom and marzipan, lemongrass, oranges and summer meadow flowers. The palate is equally evocative and packed with flavour: freshly fruited but with a combination of zesty piquant citrus and pulpy ripe mango and peach. For such a light-bodied wine, it perfumes the finish beautifully and lingers much longer than expected. A delightful and happy Happy Canyon white.

90 pts- Clare Tooley MW, Decanter Magazine, January 2022

La Gaviota 2019

A concentrated wine (Nebbiolo with 35% Syrah and 15% Barbera) brimming with red, blue and black berries. The tannins are present, ripe and sinewy, wrapped around the fruit rather than fully integrated. The impression is one of real youth which does not detract from its immediate appeal, but it would be a shame not to see what this wine will do over time. The fresh acidity combined with fruit density suggests it will age beautifully over a few decades and reward the collector's patience.

92 pts- Clare Tooley MW, Decanter Magazine, January 2022

Nebbiolo Alisos Vineyard 2015

Deep, complex, layered, flower and mineral – impossible to put down. In the mouth, it gives the impression of being extremely youthful, with pure red fruits and succulent berries, tannins ripe and textured like thick, soft linen. Flavours linger on a gentle finish. A beautiful expression of this extraordinary grape variety.

95 pts- Clare Tooley MW, Decanter Magazine, January 2022

Barbera Walker Vineyard 2018

Dark cherry, raspberry and a little blueberry on the nose. Vibrant, sweet and silky, so brightly flavoured as to be reminiscent of a coulis. Great freshness and purity on the finish, and a compelling desire to top up your glass.

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