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2016 Dana Estates Cabernet Sauvignon Helms Vineyard, Rutherford

Wine Advocate #234 (Dec 2017)

Drink: N/A

Rating: 98+

A barrel sample to be bottled in summer 2018, the 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Helms Vineyard has a very deep purple-black color and youthfully muted note of crushed black plums and blackberries, yeast extract, beef drippings, and fragrant earth with touches of pencil-shavings and wild thyme. Medium-bodied, it fills the mouth with vibrant black fruit and savory notions, framed by firm, grainy tannins and impressive freshness, finishing long and on a minerally note.

Lisa Perotti-Brown, Robert Parker (December 2017)

2016 Dana Estates Cabernet Sauvignon Lotus Vineyard, Napa Valley

Wine Advocate #227 (Dec 2017)

Drink: NA

Rating: 97-100

A barrel sample, the 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Lotus Vineyard sports a very deep garnet-purple color and nose of crushed blackberries and black currants with touches of cedar, dried herbs, chocolate and fragrant earth. Very firm and structured at this youthful stage, the full-bodied palate sports a lot of fruit, giving great freshness and loads of layers, finishing very long. Should be a cracker!

Lisa Perotti-Brown, Robert Parker (December 2017)

2016 Dana Estates Cabernet Sauvignon Hershey Vineyard, Howell Mountain

Wine Advocate #234 (Dec 2017)

Drink: 2018-2040

Rating: 96

A barrel sample, the 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Hershey Vineyard delivers notes of crushed black currants, baker's chocolate and cigar box with perfumed touches of incense, cinnamon stick and cloves plus a waft of cardamom. Medium to full-bodied, it fills the mouth with ripe, rich blue and red fruit preserves, framed by plush tannins and plenty of freshness, finishing long.

Lisa Perotti-Brown, Robert Parker (December 2017)

2016 Dana Estates Cabernet Sauvignon Onda, Napa Valley

Wine Advocate #234 (Dec 2017)

Drink NA

Rating: 92-94

A barrel sample, the 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Onda reveals a very deep purple color and nose of warm blackberries, black cherries and baker's chocolate with wafts of cedar chest and sage. Medium-bodied, fine, fresh and elegant, it has great black fruit and herbal expression with an earthy finish.

Lisa Perotti-Brown, Robert Parker (December 2017)