

## ■ Napanook 2021 - Press Review

*2<sup>nd</sup> wine of Dominus Estate  
Yountville, Napa Valley*

### JAMESSUCKLING

**97 pts** - *James Suckling*

« This shows a lot of class, with aromas of blackcurrants, graphite, blueberries, dried flowers, black truffles and a touch of forest floor. The palate is medium- to full-bodied, with seamless tannins that goes on and on. Endless. Blackcurrants, dark mushrooms and violets with hints of fresh rose stems and light herbs. Velvety texture. A blend of 92% cabernet sauvignon, 6% cabernet franc and 2% petit verdot. Better after 2027. »



**95 pts** - *Lisa Perrotti-Brown*

« The 2021 Napanook is composed of 92% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Cabernet Franc, and 2% Petit Verdot. Deep garnet-purple in color, it slowly emerges from the glass with expressive notes of blackcurrant pastilles, wild blueberries, and Morello cherries leading to an undercurrent of rosebud tea, cinnamon stick, and tilled soil with a waft of charcoal. The rich, concentrated, full-bodied palate delivers waves of black and blue fruit preserves supported by velvety tannins and well-knit freshness, finishing long and spicy. 3,000 cases were made. »

### JEB DUNNUCK

**95 pts** - *Jeb Dunnuck*

« The 2021 Napanook is one heck of a Napanook, offering complex notes of currants, cassis, graphite, leafy tobacco, lead pencil, and chocolate. Incredible on the palate, it's full-bodied and round, with supple, vibrant, incredible tannins. This is easily the finest vintage I've tasted of this cuve and it's the equivalent of many a Grand Vin from other producers. »

### Decanter

**94 pts** - *Jonathan Cristaldi*

« A delicately aromatic nose of red currants, spicebush, tobacco leaf, dusty minerals, and wildflowers. The palate is compact with a wonderful medium- to full-bodied mouthfeel and plenty of energy and drive. The acidity is firm and inviting, forming a perfect backbone that preserves the wine's freshness. The tannins are satiny with a mocha-scented quality, and the red berry fruit is laced with salty minerals. The wine is impressively tension-filled, vivacious and yet light on its feet. A terrific effort. »