



CONTINUUM  
2012

VINTAGE	PRODUCER	NAME	SCORE	DRINKING WINDOW	RELEASE PRICE	REVIEW DATE
2012	Continuum Estate	Continuum	96	2017-2032	\$200	Dec. 2014

NEW RELEASES FROM NAPA VALLEY:  
2012 AND 2013 (DEC 2014)

by Antonio Galloni

Continuum is very much a family affair. Tim Mondavi and his sister Marcia own the property, while four of Tim Mondavi's five children are now actively involved in the winery. The Mondavis exude an extraordinary passion for their estate on Pritchard Hill, a bucolic spot that offers breathtaking views of much of Napa Valley, including To-Kalon, where the Mondavis made their name. With each passing vintage, the wines keep getting better now that Continuum is a 100% estate winery and the team gains the kind of understanding about vineyards that only time can bring. In addition to these wines, I also tasted a number of 2013 components that point to another successful vintage here.

TASTING NOTES

Ripe, silky tannins wrap around the palate in the 2012 Continuum. Bright red cherry, plum, spice, menthol and hard candy meld together effortlessly in the glass. The 2012 captures the polished, refined side of the vintage. This is perhaps the most refined wine I have ever tasted from Continuum. The flavors are bright and focused, while the new oak has been decidedly toned down, both of which allow the personality of these breathtaking hillside sites to shine. The 2012 is the first Continuum to be made entirely with estate grown fruit.  
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