

Recent Press for Peter Franus



90 points --Peter Franus Red Wine Napa Valley 2005

Tight, firm and full-bodied, with chewy, grainy tannins, dried currant, anise and tobacco flavors presented in a full-bodied yet elegant package. Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Merlot. Best from 2010 through 2017. --JL

"20 Napa Cabernet Values," Peter Franus is named one of Wine Spectator's "perennial Cabernet favorites."

2006 Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley, The Wine Spectator.

"Floral wild berry aromas are firm and focused on the palate, with hints of spice, nutmeg, mineral and cedar. Well-balanced intense and persistent. Best for 2011 through 2017." -J.L.



92 points--Peter Franus Cabernet Franc Napa Valley 2005

Good for the winery for producing a Cab Franc that's truly distinct and interesting. Doesn't have a vineyard designation, but it's from the highly regarded Truchard vineyard. With a firm core of dusty tannins and a heart of blackberries, black cherries, currants and black pepper, it's elegant, complex and age-worthy. --S.H.

92 points- --Peter Franus Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley 2005

The winery's 05 Cab's is tannic and dry and elegant. It tastes like a young Bordeaux, a wine that needs time in the cellar to come around. The flavors are classic Napa Cab, all black currants, black cherries and oak. Just beautiful. Best after 2009, but good now with decanting and a big, important steak." --S.H.

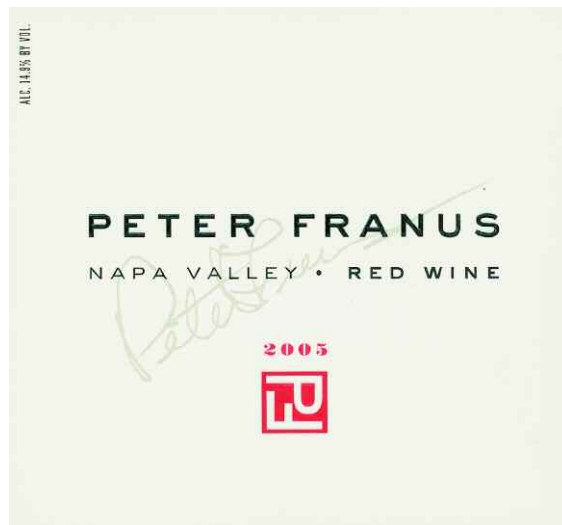
91 points --Peter Franus Merlot, Napa Valley 2006

"Near perfect aromatics on this soft, lush Merlot. The aromas suggest black cherry pie filling, mocha, violets, bacon and cedar. In the mouth, it's super-rich berries, currants and spices, with softly refined tannins. Best now. -- S.H.

AS SEEN IN JUNE 2009



BUYING GUIDE



93 **Peter Franus 2005 Red Wine (Napa Valley);**
\$60. Delicious and complex. Shows a superb tannic structure, soft and complicated and refined, housing dry but rich flavors of black currants, cherries, chocolate, anise, cedar and pepper. Elegant and distinguished, and should develop through 2011, at least.