

**2015 Carter Cellars Cabernet
Sauvignon Beckstoffer Las Piedras
Vineyard La BAM**

Made from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon (all clone 337), the 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Las Piedras Vineyard La Bam is up with the top tier wines in the vintage. About as fine and elegant as they come, yet also full-bodied, opulent and expansive, its deep purple color is followed by awesome notes of black raspberries, crème de cassis, Asian spices and dried flowers. It has loads of fruit and texture, yet glides across the palate. It's beautiful today but will benefit from short-term cellaring and keep for 2-3 decades.

Mark Carter and winemaker Mike Smith continue to make a bevy of hedonistic, sexy, powerful wines from throughout Napa Valley. These 2015s are all brilliant wines, yet quantities are tiny due to the dismal yields.

- Jeb Dunnuck (12/29/2017)

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