



## 2016 Jezreel Valley Winery Icon

<b>Rating</b>	<b>Release Price</b>	<b>Drink Date</b>	<b>Producer:</b> Jezreel Valley Winery
92	\$90	2022 - 2036	<b>From:</b> Israel , Shomron , Sharon
<b>Reviewed by</b>	<b>Issue Date</b>	<b>Source</b>	<b>Color:</b> Red
Mark Squires	30th Apr 2019	Issue 242 End of April 2019, The Wine Advocate	<b>Type:</b> Table

The 2016 Icon is an equal blend of the winery's best Carignan and Syrah, aged for 22 months in new French oak. It comes in at 14.5% alcohol. This is another of the pricey big boy bottles this issue—four pounds, four ounces when full. Hit the weight room before lifting a case. This is a wine with a nice hit of acidity around the edges, finesse in the mid-palate and blueberry fruit—that is, when you can find the fruit. The wood is far too prominent, layering the wine in vanilla. Given the beautiful structure, I do think the wood influence is going to lessen dramatically in time. Tight, tense and nervy, this powerful wine needs a little time to come around. It's nowhere close to ready, so be prepared to cellar it. While it does have some questions to answer in the cellar, I suspect it will answer them just fine. It has a lot of upside potential, and I'm going to lean up on this backward wine—one of the most backward in this Israeli report this issue.

**Sweetness:** Dry  
**Type:** Table  
**Variety:** Proprietary Blend