

2005 Colgin Cariad Proprietary Red Wine

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date
100	\$300 - 600	2015 - 2040
Reviewed by	Issue Date	Source
Robert M. Parker, Jr.	29th Jun 2015	219, The Wine Advocate

The blend that Colgin fashions from three vineyards owned by David Abreu (Madrona, Thorevilos and Howell Mountain) is called Cariad. The 2005 Proprietary Red Cariad consists of 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot, 11% Cabernet Franc and 9% Petit Verdot. Offering up spring flowers and garden aromas, sweet blueberry and black raspberry fruit, a touch of charcoal embers, graphite and background toast, it is fleshy and full-bodied, and again, meriting a three-digit score. This is absolutely remarkable wine. As it sat in the glass, it developed some rather compelling chocolaty, licorice undertones. This is a great classic to drink over the next 20-25 years. By the way, for those interested, the cooperage generally chosen is dominated by Taransaud barrels, but there are at least four different coopers.

Producer: Colgin
From: USA , California , North Coast , Napa Valley
Color: Red
Type: Table
Sweetness: Dry
Type: Table
Variety: Proprietary Blend

2005 Colgin IX Proprietary Red Estate

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date
98+	\$300 - 600	2015 - 2035
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Lastly, the 2005 Proprietary Red IX Estate, from one of the most strikingly beautiful vineyards in all of Napa, high on Pritchard Hill overlooking Lake Hennessey, is a blend of 64% Cabernet Sauvignon, 21% Merlot and the balance Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Inky purple with a provocative and profound bouquet of graphite, white flowers, cassis and blackberry as well as hints of coffee and chocolate, this full-bodied classic has perfect balance, undeniable purity and a long finish. Drink it now and over the next 20 years.

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From: USA , California , North Coast , Napa Valley
Color: Red
Type: Table
Sweetness: Dry
Type: Table
Variety: Proprietary Blend

2005 Colgin IX Syrah Estate

Rating	Release Price	Drink Date
95	NA	NA

Producer: Colgin

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Source

180, The Wine Advocate

Previously recommended, but no tasting note given Colgin is one of the reference points for just what heights mountain-grown Cabernet Sauvignon, Bordeaux varietals, and more recently, Syrah, can achieve in Napa Valley. This beautiful estate and winery overlooking Lake Hennessey is owned by Joe Wender and his wife, Ann Colgin (equally renowned for her auctioneering skills), who are assisted by David Abreu, the well-known Bordeaux wine consultant, Dr. Alain Raynaud, and Allison Tauziet, who has skillfully replaced the brilliant Mark Aubert. As the scores and tasting notes suggest, this was an exceptional tasting. Colgin's 2006s are among the finest wines produced in the vintage. Tel. (707) 963-0999; Fax (707) 963-0996

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Color: Red

Type: Table

Sweetness: Dry

Type: Table

Variety: Syrah

2005 Colgin Cabernet Sauvignon Tychson Hill Vineyard

Rating

96

Release Price

\$325 - 500

Drink Date

2015 - 2040

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219, The Wine Advocate

The 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Tychson Hill Vineyard is fresh and vibrant, with great fragrance (blueberry, black and red currants, licorice and graphite, as well as floral notes). It is stunningly fruity and full-bodied, with remarkable purity and texture, and combined with the gorgeous fragrance, fabulously concentrated with a nearly perfectly balanced mouthfeel and finish. This amazing wine should continue to develop for another 25 or more years.

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Type: Table

Sweetness: Dry

Type: Table

Variety: Cabernet Sauvignon

2005 Colgin Cabernet Sauvignon Herb Lamb Vineyard

Rating

94

Release Price

\$175 - 250

Drink Date

2015 - 2022

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The 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Herb Lamb Vineyard is a vineyard that Ann Colgin and her winemaking team made famous. The primary reason why Colgin's wines from this source show better than other wines that have emerged from the Herb Lamb Vineyard is because Colgin got the top 14 rows, the sweet spot in the entire parcel. Dense ruby/purple, with notes of

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graphite, a touch of bay leaf and lavender, the 2005 is spicy, cedary, much more evolved than the Dixon Hill, full-bodied with decent acidity, and very ripe blackcurrant fruit infused with a touch of unsmoked cigar tobacco. This is a beauty and best drunk over the next 5-7 years.

Variety: Cabernet Sauvignon