

CONNOISSEURS' GUIDE TO CALIFORNIA WINE



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ATLAS PEAK 2005 Cabernet Sauvignon Spring Mountain

89 points

"Very much in line with its brethren insofar as it aims for balance rather than unbounded ripeness and bombast, this concentrated, cassis-focused wine comes with nary a hint of fat but finds sweetness instead from its ample oak. It is just a touch on the lean side in terms of balance and feel, yet it counts keen fruit as a real asset, and comparisons with claret are hard to avoid."

