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2010 Bevan Cellars Red Wine Ee Cuvee
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RATING: 95 points

PRODUCER: Bevan Cellars

FROM: Oakville Napa, North
 Coast, California,
 USA

VARIETY: Proprietary Blend

DRINK: 2015 - 2025

ESTIMATED COST: \$150

SOURCE: WA, #204
 Dec 2012

The 2010 Red Wine EE is gorgeous. Freshly cut flowers, cassis, menthol, licorice and black cherries burst from the glass. All the elements are nicely balanced in this delicious, totally beautiful wine. Hints of cloves, roasted coffee beans, menthol, and graphite add complexity on a distinctly Cabernet Franc-laced finish. The 2010 is 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Cabernet Franc and 5% Petit Verdot. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2025.

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-Antonio Galloni

2010 Bevan Cellars The Impetus

 Add to Print List

RATING: 94+ points

PRODUCER: Bevan Cellars

FROM: Oakville Napa, North
 Coast, California,
 USA

VARIETY: Proprietary Blend

DRINK: 2015 - 2025

ESTIMATED COST: \$150

SOURCE: WA, #204
 Dec 2012

Bevan's 2010 The Impetus is another beautiful wine. A blend of De Crescenzo Cabernet Franc and Tench Merlot, the 2010 is quite distinctive, particularly in its mineral-driven personality, much of which comes from the Sonoma fruit. Cool, bracing veins of acidity lend tension and energy to hints of graphite, crushed rocks and tobacco, all of which add complexity on the finish. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2025.

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Patricia's Cuvee Harbison Vineyard Add to Print List**RATING:** 94 points**PRODUCER:** Bevan Cellars**FROM:** Napa Valley Napa,
North Coast,
California, USA**VARIETY:** Cabernet Sauvignon**DRINK:** 2015 - 2025**ESTIMATED COST:** \$150**SOURCE:** WA, #204
Dec 2012

A huge, voluptuous wine, the 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Patricia's Cuvee Harbison Vineyard bursts onto the palate with massive layers of blue and black fruit, cinnamon, cloves, graphite and melted road tar. This is an unusually ripe, voluptuous and totally seamless wine for the year, but the opulent style works beautifully here. The Patricia's Cuvee is going to be a pure pleasure bomb pretty much from the outset. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2025.

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Sugar Loaf Mt Add to Print List**RATING:** 95 points**PRODUCER:** Bevan Cellars**FROM:** Oakville Napa, North
Coast, California,
USA**VARIETY:** Proprietary Blend**DRINK:** 2015 - 2025**ESTIMATED COST:** \$150**SOURCE:** WA, #204
Dec 2012

The 2010 Proprietary Red Oscar Sugar Loaf Mountain is notably sweeter, richer and more powerful than the Impetus, Bevan's other Merlot/Cabernet Franc blend. Chocolate, sweet spices, cloves, black berries and plums all jump from the glass in this full-bodied wine. The 2010 is full-throttle, intense and unapologetically opulent, but it all works, and beautifully. I expect the 2010 to give years of sheer pleasure once it recovers from its current slightly shut down stage. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2025.

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Red Wine Add to Print List**RATING:** 91 points**PRODUCER:** Bevan Cellars**FROM:** Oakville Napa, North
Coast, California,
USA**VARIETY:** Proprietary Blend**DRINK:** 2014 - 2022**ESTIMATED COST:** \$64**SOURCE:** WA, #204
Dec 2012

The 2010 Ontogeny is one of the more compact wines in this lineup. It has good depth and presence but not the personality or silkiness of the best wines here. Sweet red berries, crushed flowers and menthol add complexity on the finish. In this vintage the Ontogeny is 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Cabernet Franc, 5% Petite Verdot and 5% Merlot. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2022.

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2010 Bevan Cellars Red Wine Not Yet Named

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RATING: (92-94) points

PRODUCER: Bevan Cellars

FROM: Napa Valley Napa, North Coast, California, USA

VARIETY: Proprietary Blend

DRINK: 2015 - 2022

ESTIMATED COST:

SOURCE: WA, #198
Dec 2011

The 2010 Red Wine Not Yet Named is a powerful wine loaded with fruit. It shows considerable promise but is very, very young. Layers of expressive dark fruit, spices, new leather and licorice flesh out on a generous finish supported by firm yet well-integrated tannins. This is a beautifully balanced wine. This cuvee is 50% Cabernet Franc and 50% Cabernet Sauvignon from Sugarloaf Mountain Vineyard aged in 100% new Damajou French oak barrels. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2022.

(Not yet released)

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2010 Bevan Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon Harbison Vineyard

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RATING: (90-92) points

PRODUCER: Bevan Cellars

FROM: Oakville Napa, North Coast, California, USA

VARIETY: Cabernet Sauvignon

DRINK: 2014 - 2024

ESTIMATED COST:

SOURCE: WA, #198
Dec 2011

The 2010 Cabernet Sauvignon Harbison Vineyard comes across as quite pretty and understated in its

floral aromatics and subtle, refined fruit. Today the 2010 is quite understated and bright. It will be interesting to see where it goes from here. In 2010 this fruit was picked in November, which probably explains why the wine is so undeveloped right now. This cuvee is 100% Cabernet Sauvignon (60% clone 337, 40% clone 7) aged in 100% new French oak barrels, equal parts Taransaud and Damajou. Anticipated maturity: 2014-2024.

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