

Wine & Spirits

Top 100 Best Buys

94 | **Lava Cap**

2018 Sierra Foothills Estate Syrah A spectacular wine for the price, this is savory and robust, smelling woody with hints of mushrooms and wild herbs. Slow to rouse, it's rich and forward by day two, the forest scents evolving toward horehound and Christmas spices, almost like a spiced dark ale. For all that, it feels balanced and warm, for game. —Reviewed by Patrick J. Comiskey.