

2005 Deerfield Ranch Winery Cabernet Sauvignon

WHO: Deerfield Ranch Winery

WHAT: Cabernet sauvignon, Merlot, Malbec, Petit Verdot, Cabernet franc

WHERE: Sonoma County, CA

WHEN: 2005

A big wine, a full, spicy mouthful of blackcurrant and blackberry and loads of black pepper, white pepper, eucalyptus and toasted maple. Wood treatment is obvious, but the fruit is big enough to balance it out. Tannins are powerful but smooth, years of remaining cellar life. Drink with a porterhouse, filet side early, and strip side after it gets some air. DH

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