



**VARIETALS:**  
89% Cabernet Sauvignon  
11% Petit Verdot  
**NEW OAK:** 20%

## OTHELLO 2023

### OVERVIEW

Produced from the historic Napanook vineyard in Yountville, California, Othello is a wine that expresses the singularity of its exceptional terroir and is accessible and enjoyable in its youth.

It was at the famed Napanook vineyard that Christian Moueix established Dominus Estate in 1983. A historical site, it was the source of fruit for some of the finest Napa Valley wines in the 1940s and 1950s. Notably, the vineyard's history can be traced back to Napa Valley's beginnings, when in 1838 George Yount, for whom the town of Yountville was named, first planted grapevines there.

Today, the vineyard produces three wines: Dominus, its flagship, Napanook, and Othello. A model for its sustainable farming practices, the Napanook vineyard has been hailed for its dry-farming, which shuns watering the vines, thus spurring them to draw deeply on the land's unique geology.

The resulting wines are an expression of this unique vineyard. In 2021, Dominus Estate received its CCOF (California Certified Organic Farmers) certification for organic farming practices.

### WINEMAKING

Meticulous viticultural and winemaking practices are undertaken with the objective of producing wines that are pure, balanced and complex. Minimal intervention and restraint throughout the process of grape berry selection, fermentation and aging preserve the character of the fruit. The resulting wines are an expression of this unique vineyard.

**94**  
POINTS  
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Plum, red currant, cedar, sandalwood, spice and stone aromas follow through to a medium body with a solid core of fruit and dried oranges and pure fruit at the end. Juicy, savory and framed finish. Drink now.

**92**  
POINTS  
THE WINE PALATE

The 2023 Othello is a blend of 89% Cabernet Sauvignon and 11% Petit Verdot. Deep garnet-purple in color, it springs from the glass with vibrant notes of red currants and fresh blackberries, giving way to hints of bay leaves, pencil lead, and mossy tree bark. The full-bodied palate is bursting with bold red and black berry flavors, framed by a racy line and plush tannins, finishing long and savory. Delicious.

**90**  
POINTS  
VINOUS

The 2023 Othello is a tasty entry-level bottling from the front blocks on the property, those on either side of Hopper Creek. Juicy dark red fruit, cinnamon, new leather and cedar are pushed forward in this delicious, effortless Cabernet Sauvignon. Best of all, this should be a fabulous value, too.

**90**  
POINTS  
JEB DUNNUCK

The third wine of this great estate (and made in reasonable quantities), the 2023 Othello is a pretty, Bordeaux-like effort with juicy black cherry, leather, and tobacco notes in a medium-bodied, charming, deliciously balanced, satisfying style. Based on 89% Cabernet Sauvignon and 11% Petit Verdot and aged 18 months in 20% new French oak, it's best enjoyed over the coming 7-8 years. Drink 2025-2033.

