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2012 Passing Time Cabernet Sauvignon

A Cabernet Sauvignon Dry Red Table wine from Yakima Valley, Columbia Valley, Washington, USA

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Jeb Dunnuck

(92-94)

Drink: N/A

The first vintage for this new estate, Passing Time is a joint venture between football stars Damon Huard and Dan Marino, with the wines made by the up-and-coming Chris Peterson of Avennia. Their 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon is a more than promising start. Made from 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Merlot and 5% Cabernet Franc that spent 21 months in 80% new French oak, it offers a classic feel with black and blue fruits, violets, No. 2 pencil shavings and notable minerality giving way to a medium to full-bodied, elegant and layered feel on the palate. It has a classic, almost Bordeaux-like feel, and while it should be reasonably approachable on release, it should benefit from short-term cellaring. For those that are always looking for the next best thing, this is a good place to start.

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