



CONNOISSEURS' GUIDE TO CALIFORNIA WINE



2005 BAILEYANA

GRAND *Firepeak* CUVÉE

Edna Valley, Firepeak Vineyard
Syrah

93 & **TWO**
POINTS **PUFFS**



Nicely ripened, well-concentrated without excess, complex in its aromas of blackberries, licorice, sweet spices and roasted meats, this Syrah hits all the varietal marks in good order. It is medium-full to full on the palate and supple to start with a firm underside that keeps things alive and also promises more and better with time in the bottle of some three to six years. There is an inviting quality to it now, and in some ways, its moderate tannins stand as the perfect foil to steaks and roasts, but we would suggest a bit of patience with this lovely wine.

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