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At Lewelling, one of the brilliant, somewhat unheralded wineries in Napa, proprietor Dave Wight fashions gloriously pure, textured, highly nuanced Cabernet Sauvignons. His 2003s are worthy successors to his brilliant 2002s. The **2003 Cabernet Sauvignon** reveals a Pontet-Canet-like crème de cassis purity allied with notions of licorice, new wood, and impressive structure. Its purity, texture, aromatics, and overall equilibrium result in a gorgeous wine that should hit its prime in another 2-3 years, and last for 15 or more years. The brilliant **2003 Cabernet Sauvignon Wight Vineyard** (which is not produced in every vintage) is denser, although the color is a similar opaque ruby/purple. The wine exhibits more licorice, smoke, and black currant notes interwoven with high quality, smoky, but subtle toasty oak. A wine of tremendous purity, full body, voluptuous texture, heady levels of glycerin, and a 40+ second finish, this beauty can be drunk early in life or cellared for 15 years.

2003 Cabernet Sauvignon Wight Vineyard
2003 Cabernet Sauvignon

94 pts
91 pts

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