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Year's Best US Cabernets & Blends

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2016 Red Mountain Heart of the Hill Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon Kiona's spectacular recent planting in the heart of Red Mountain's long slope is given mostly to cabernet sauvignon—eight blocks in all, with multiple clones and densities. The range of expression is big, and it's reflected here in a big wine, with dark fruit and mildly spicy scents. There's plenty of formidable Red Mountain mass contributing to the texture, but the wine feels pure, contoured in its delivery. *Reviewed by Patrick J. Comiskey.*

