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95 points

ROBERT PARKER'S WINE ADVOCATE, December 2019

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JAMES SUCKLING, February 2020

"The 2017 Quintessa is an absolutely sensational showing in this vintage. On the palate this is full-bodied and structured with well-polished tannins framed by a beautifully touch of acidy providing a wonderful sense of freshness. This is a total beauty that is drinking exceptionally well today, but also shows wonderful aging potential as well."

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INTERNATIONAL WINE REPORT, July 2020



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– 95 Points, Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Wine Advocate, October 2019

Libert Carley

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