

Real Wines top 40 Bordeaux 2019 buying tips

Producer	Appellation	WA	NM	JL	De-canter	JS	PL	CHF/bt (incl MWST)	Key comments about the wines
Beausejour Becot	St Emilion							52.00	Always one of the freshest and most elegant St Emilions, and now fermented in cement amphorae; should be even more interesting than usual! PL
Beausejour Duffau Lagarosse	St Emilion	96-98	94-96	97-99	98	95-96		105.00	"Elegant, full bodied, sensual, sexy, fresh and sweet...this is one of the stars of the vintage" Jeff Leve
Brane Cantenac	Margaux			95-97	96	92-94		54.50	"Brane Cantenac has been on a hot streak since 2015 and 2019 clearly continues their streak: this is a gorgeous vintage for Brane Cantenac" JL
Calon Segur	St Estèphe	95-97+		96-98				86.00	"Possibly the greatest Calon Segur I have tasted out of barrel" Neal Martin
Capbern	St Estèphe (2nd wine Calon Segur)	89-91		92-94		93-94		22.00	"Clearly, this is a new level for Capbern" Jeff Leve
Croix De Beaucaillou	St Julien (2nd wine Ducru Beaucaillou)	91-92	94-96	92-94	94	93-94		37.50	♥ "Fresh, vibrant, silky, long and juicy...this could be the finest vintage of La Croix Ducru produced at the estate" Jeff Leve
Doisy Daene	Sauternes	94-96+	93-95			94-95	94	35.00	Deliciously fresh and exotic, pure, powerful and complex; an excellent Sauternes at a fair price! PL
Domaine de Chevalier Rouge	Pessac Léognan	94-96+	95-97	95-97	95	96-97	95	52.00	"The wine is refined, focussing on its purity, with silky tannins and a soft, sexy, harmonious finish" Jeff Leve
Ducru Beaucaillou	St Julien	97-100	96-98	98-100				154.00	"Long, lush, opulent, and most importantly, with this gorgeous sense of purity." Jeff Leve
Feytit Clinet	St Emilion	93-95+	93-95	95-97		95-96		54.00	"This is a contender for the finest vintage of Feytit Clinet ever produced" Jeff Leve
Giscours	Margaux	94-96	95-97	96-98	94	96-97	96	46.50	♥ Sold out
Grand Mayne	St Emilion		94-96	92-94				35.00	"Another outstanding wine from Jean-Antoine Nony" NM
Grand Puy Lacoste	Pauillac		95-97	95-97	96	94-95		59.00	Always one of my favourite Bordeaux, this family-owned chateau produces great value, classic Pauillac year after year; PL
Haut Bailly	Pessac Léognan	97-99	96-98	96-98		98-99		90.00	R Sold out
Haut Batailley	Pauillac			93-95	92	95-96	93	48.00	Now owned and vinified by the team at Lynch Bages, this excellent Pauillac seems to have a little more fullness and power this vintage; PL
Issan	Margaux	94-96+	92-94	94-96	96	96-97		48.00	♥ "Elegant and refined in character...with lift, energy, length and purity" Jeff Leve
La Conseillante	Pomerol	96-98	97-99	98-100		97-98		162.00	R "Clearly one of the finest Pomerols of the vintage" NM; "drenched in enough velvet to be classified as heart-stopping!" Jeff Leve
Labegorce	Margaux			92-94			93	27.00	"Today, it is hard to find better value for money in the ever-increasingly expensive Margaux appellation" Jeff Leve
Langoa Barton	St Julien		91-93			95-96	95	39.00	♥ I always love both wines from the Barton stable, but this year, unusually, Langoa Barton was more impressive for me than the Leoville Barton; PL
Larcis Ducasse	St Emilion	95-97+		95-97		95-96		61.00	"Like walking into a flower market with cherries and plums all over the floor" Jeff Leve
Le Petit Lion (de Las Cases)	St Julien (2nd wine of Léoville Las cases)	92-94+	90-92	91-93	93	95-96		48.00	Neal Martin's "hidden gem" from St.Julien. "I would really recommend buying this and the grand vin"; WA
Leoville Barton	St.Julien		94-96				94	70.00	R Always a rich, structured and powerful St Julien, this year it seems riper and more fruit-forward than usual; PL
Leoville Las Cases	St.Julien	97-99+		97-99		98-99		185.00	"Dances ever so gracefully on the palate, revealing tightly wound layers of bright, crunchy, black fruits, and tantalising floral and mineral sparks" WA
Leoville Poyferré	St.Julien		96-98	96-98		96-97	98	69.50	R Sold out
Lynch Bages	Pauillac			97		96-97	97	89.00	R "A great grand vin in the mould of their 2016" NM; "hangs with the best vintages ever produced at Lynch Bages" Jeff Leve
Malartic Lagravière Rouge	Pessac Léognan	93-95		94-96		95-96		37.00	Undoubtedly one of the stars of Pessac Léognan this year and great value! "Very impressive" per WA
Montrose	St Estèphe				98			128.00	R Almost 30% cheaper than the 2018, this top St Estèphe is sure to be long-lived and always performs best in warm and sunny vintages such as 2019. PL
Palmer	Margaux							215.00	R Last year one of my top 3 wines of the vintage, word is that it is just as good this year. At half the price of Chateau Margaux it's surely a good buy again this year. PL
Pedesclaux	Pauillac	93-95		92-94		94-95		33.50	"Gorgeous wine - bravo!" WA
Phelan Segur	St Estèphe	92-94	93-95	93-95	94	96-97		36.50	♥ "Immense potential" NM; "This could be the best vintage of Phelan Segur yet" Jeff Leve
Pichon Comtesse Reserve	Pauillac (2nd wine Pichon Lalande)	92-94		91-93	93			37.50	♥ "A great 2nd wine" (Decanter); "A gorgeous sense of purity in the fruit" Jeff Leve
Pontet-Canet	Pauillac	98-100				98-99		82.00	R Sold out
Roc de Cambes	Cotes de Bourg			90-92				56.50	This "mini-Tertre Roteboeuf" is always ripe, fruit-packed and full bodied, but needs 5 years in bottle before it will show its true potential; PL
Saint Pierre	St Julien	94-96+	92-94	94-96			95	46.00	A top vintage for St Pierre and "one of the most exciting stories in the St Julien appellation" NM
Serillon	St Estèphe		92-94			92-93		19.00	Sold out
Siran	Margaux		93-95	91-93	93	94-95	94	26.50	♥ Right next door to Giscours, this excellent value Margaux is a real star this vintage! Complex, with silky tannins, multi-layered fruit, and good underlying freshness; PL
Smith Haut Laffite Rouge	Pessac Léognan	96-98+	96-98	97	97	96-97		88.00	Neil Martin's "jewel in the crown" from Pessac Léognan
Talbot	St Julien					94-95	94	46.00	Fresh, with creamy, silky-smooth tannins and lovely fruit power and concentration; modern and consumer-friendly. PL
Tertre Roteboeuf	St Emilion			96-98				170.00	"Mouth-filling, flashy, vibrant, juicy, sweet and fresh, there is an exotic quality to the texture that is unique to Tertre Roteboeuf" Jeff Leve
Vieux Chateau Certain	Pomerol	97-100	96-98	98-100		98-99		228.00	R "The wine is so texturally sensual, you don't want it to end" Jeff Leve

Important information

All prices above are inclusive of MWST and delivery to your chosen address in Switzerland
 Wooden cases of 6 bottles cost an extra CHF1 per bottle
 Magnums and double magnums are available on request
 Minimum order quantity is 6 bottles
 All wines ordered will be delivered in May 2022

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Key

WA Lisa Perotti Brown of the Wine Advocate

NM Neal Martin of Vinous

JL Jeff Leve is an excellent Bordeaux communicator who writes for The Wine Cellar Insider

JS James Suckling

PL Paul Liversedge MW

♥ These are my top value tips of the vintage, based on my personal tasting and/ or what I have read from the journalists whose taste I most respect

R Very restricted quantities available of this wine