

MILLESIME 2010

CHÂTEAU BEAUSÉJOUR

HÉRITIERS DUFFAU-LAGARROSSE

1^{ER} GRAND CRU CLASSÉ
SAINT-ÉMILION

The Wine Advocate
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96-100/100

Since the wunderkind team of Nicolas Thienpont and Stephane Derenoncourt assumed responsibility for this extraordinary vineyard planted on the clay and limestone southern slopes of St.-Emilion, quality has soared. The 2009 (rated 96-98+) was the greatest vintage since the estate's prodigious 1990 and the 2010 looks to be its equal. Composed of 73% Merlot, 23% Cabernet Franc and 4% Cabernet Sauvignon made from tiny yields of 21 hectoliters per hectare, the 2010 achieved a remarkably high 15% natural alcohol. However, the high alcohol is completely hidden by the wine's freshness, high acids and modest pH. A remarkable nose of blueberries, blackberries, crushed chalk, acacia flowers, licorice and truffles is accompanied by an unbelievable minerality on the palate, full-bodied power, amazing texture, a multidimensional personality and a 50+ second finish. One of the most profound wines of the vintage, this 2010 should drink well for 30-35 years or more.

- Robert Parker

Gault & Millau
n° 48
June -July 2011

18/20

Il a tout pour lui mais sans exubérance, voire avec une certain réserve. Un magnifique vin de pivoine, d'iris, de bois de rose, de cannelle, d'épices chatouillantes sans flagornerie. La bouche est mystérieuse et profonde avec un grain ferme et suave à la fois.

erobertparker.com
April 2011

91 - 93 +/100

This has a very refined, composed, well-defined bouquet with pure cassis and raspberry fruit, nice mineralité underneath that should become exposed by age. The palate is very fleshy and oaky on the entry but there is decent freshness here. Slips down the throat with ease with notes of crushed strawberry, redcurrant and a touch of Morello, very harmonious towards the finish if lacking a little backbone, but very fine nonetheless. Tasted April 2011.

- Neal Martin



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Télécran – Primeur 2010
July 2011

17.5/20

Nez fin de mûres et de violette, c'est très noble. Matière très riche, crémeuse, un goût de prunes, superbes tannins granuleux s'associant à une minéralité et une salinité que l'on n'a pas décelée en début de bouche. Tannins légèrement asséchants en fin de bouche, mais tout est au rendez-vous pour une bien belle bouteille.

- Claude François

Le Point -n° spécial
May 12/2011

17 - 17.5/20

Violette, terre mouillée, des senteurs d'après orage, bouche ronde, bien fruitée, petits tanins fins. Vin élégant, bien fruité, savoureux dès aujourd'hui, puissance tannique en finale, consistant et séduisant à la fois. O : 2018 – G : 20 ans.

- Jacques Dupont

decanter.com
April 2011

17/20

Elegant texture and tannins. Gentle, caressing fruit. Harmonious. Follows the progress made in '09. Drink 2018-2035.

- James Lawther

Le Figaro
May 2011

16.5/20

73 merlot, 24 cabernet-franc, 3 cabernet-sauvignon. Robe noire. Nez intense, violette, superbe. Bouche souple et suave, tannique, long superbes notes de violette, racé, long tannique des tannins très fins .

- Bernard Burtschy



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thewinecellarinsider.com
April 2011

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Beausejour Duffau-Lagarosse Produced with help from St. Emilion's dynamic duo, Stephan Deroncourt and Nicholas Thienpont, this is the second year in a row, wine close to the level of the legendary 1990 was produced. However, it's possible that 2010 could eclipse the 1990 in 20 years! A blend of 73% Merlot, 24% Cabernet Franc and 3% Cabernet Sauvignon produced a black/purple colored wine. The wine coats glass as you swirl to find the licorice, minerals and ripe, spicy ripe black fruit scents. Powerful, intensely concentrated, sweet and mouth coating, this is a hedonistic thrill to sip that also gives you something to think about. The opulent wine ends with a long, fresh, complex, seamless finish of intense purity of fruit and stone that grows in your mouth and lasts over sixty seconds! .

- Jeff Leve

TAST
n°70
April 2011

17/20

Beauséjour (ex Beauséjour-Duffau-Lagarrosse) confirme, sous la houlette du tandem Thienpont Deroncourt, son renouveau observé en 2009 : vin très ample, séveux et soyeux, d'une riche intensité, développant un grand volume en bouche.

- Michel Bettane et Thierry Desseauve

Jean-Marc Quarin
4° rapport
April 8/2011

17.5 - 17.75/20

Le vin brille par son superbe nez de prune et de fruits noirs. Un rêve passe en bouche. Structure fondante, aérienne et magique qui se serre après le milieu de bouche et il s'achève friand, très fruité, avec une belle structure et une forte note plaisir. Degré d'alcool : 15° - pH : 3,35.

- Jean-Marc Quarin



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jancisrobinson.com
April 2011

16.5/20

Derenoncourt from 2009. Very dark crimson. Much lighter than the Villemaurine 2010 I have just tasted. Easy with much less of the exaggerated framework that characterises most of Stéphane Derenoncourt's 2010s though it is a relatively tough wine."

- Jancis Robinson

The Wine Spectator
March 31/2011

93-96/100

Ripe and exotic, but focused, with really enticing blueberry, violet, pastis and raspberry aromas and flavors. Lush and long, with lots of range and length.

- James Molesworth

jamesuckling.com
March 30/2011

98-99/100

Clearly the best wine from here since 1989 or 1990. The intensity of dark fruits is insane with citrus and flowers as well as dark fruits. Full and lively with a finish that lasts for minutes but it is dense and impressive

- James Suckling



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