

MILLESIME 2013

# CHÂTEAU BEAUSÉJOUR

HÉRITIERS DUFFAU-LAGARROSSE

1<sup>ER</sup> GRAND CRU CLASSÉ  
SAINT-ÉMILION

## VINOUS

93-95/100

The 2013 Beauséjour Héritiers Duffau-Lagarrosse is one of the most exciting wines of the vintage. Dark, rich, powerful and creamy, the 2013 boasts stunning overall balance. An exotic, beguiling bouquet melds into dark fruit in an utterly impeccable, vivid wine loaded with personality. Sweet rose petals, spices and mint wrap around the highly expressive finish. This is one of the highlights of the vintage, a year that had more than its share of challenges. The old-vine Merlot was quite vulnerable to coulure, while the later-ripening Cabernet Franc suffered from poor late-season weather. The blend is 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc. Tasted twice.

- Antonio Galloni

Terre de Vins  
May-June 2014

93/100

Arômes brillamment floraux, vigueur et finesse en bouche, tanin fin, mais musclé, précision presque parfaite de la définition du vin. Grande race.

- Bettane et Desseauve

Tasting Report  
April 1st/2014

91-92/100

There's an intense mineral, almost salty character to this with dark fruits. Full body, with a dense palate and a long finish. Racy and exciting to taste for the vintage.

- James Suckling

The Wine Spectator

88-91/100

Dense, with plum compote, blackberry paste and toasted anise notes melded together and backed by a fresh, broad finish.

- James Molesworth



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16-16.5/20

Sélection des hauts des coteaux des argilo-calcaires, exposés sud. Un gros calibre pour le millésime, une expression de terroir puissant, dynamique avec une concentration naturelle haute, en acidité comme en alcool (13.4°). Grain fin et frais dû à l'élevage partiel en fûts de 500 litres. Proche de 2012. 88% merlot, 12 % cabernet franc. 43% de grand vin. Rendements : 25.75 hl/ha.

15.5-16/20

Un des nez les plus subtils de St Emilion. Bouche tendre, fruitée, caressante, mais à l'expression un peu plus réservée que d'habitude. Longueur moyenne. Assemblage : 88 % merlot et 12 % cabernet franc. Rendement : 25 hectolitres à l'hectare. Sélection : 43 % de grand vin.  
- Jean-Marc Quarin

89-91/100

(88% merlot and 12% cabernet franc) : Bright ruby-red. Pure minty blackcurrant, ink and violet on the perfumed nose. Minerally and vibrant on the palate, with steely, fresh blackcurrant and gunflint flavors complicated by aromatic herbs. Finishes long, pure and juicy, with ripe if youthfully chewy tannins that coat the palate at the back. Though this vintage of BDL sports its proverbial elegance and refinement, it strikes me as slightly less successful than its stablemate Pavie-Macquin (both properties are managed by Nicholas Thienpont and his team) due to slightly tougher tannins. Still, this is a potentially outstanding wine.  
- Stephen Tanzer

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