

CHATEAU
CORBIN
GRAND CRU CLASSÉ
SAINT-ÉMILION GRAND CRU



ANABELLE CRUZE BARDINET

2015

REVUE DE PRESSE

BOTTLE TASTING

Decanter

Jane Anson

Tasted
at Château
Corbin, 01
March 2018

Note **94**

As it was recently bottled the nose is a little closed right now, but with a minute in the glass this starts to drum roll, building up flavour and layers of texture. This is going to age beautifully. Just 38hl/ha were harvested because of very small berries - around 30% smaller than 2014. It's a little more fragrant and floral than other St-Emilions in 2015. A lovely wine, with touches of cinnamon finessing the finish. Only 10% was used in second wine production. Matured in 40% new oak — normally larger vintages could go as far as 50%, but this year they felt they wanted to keep the emphasis on the subtle beauty of the fruit.

bet tane + desseauve
EN MAGNUM
LE VIN PLUS GRAND

Thierry Desseauve

Mars-Avril-Mai
2018

Super excitant

Note **17,5**

Certainement le plus beau millésime de la propriété (en attendant l'également brillant 2016). Subtil et profond avec ses notes de violette, ce corbin brille par sa longueur raffinée, soutenue par des tannins soyeux et de la vivacité. Élégant et complet, plus qu'une valeur sûre.

JEAN-MARC UARIN

Mars 2018

Note **16,5**

 **Anthocyanes**
INDÉPENDANT PAR NATURE

Yohan Castaing

Mars 2018

Note **17**

Nez floral, un peu cerise, délicatement fruits noirs. Bouche suave et fraîche, de la maturité mais pas dans l'excès avec une précision de toucher de bouche très agréable. Très belle bouteille.


WINE ADVOCATE

Lisa Perrotti

Février 2018

My Top 40 Bordeaux Red Wine Bargains for 2015 (under \$50)... CORBIN

Note **92**

A blend of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc aged for 18 months in barrels, 40% new, the 2015 Corbin is medium garnet-purple colored with cigar box and spice box notions accenting the core of red and black plums, blackberry preserves and earthy layers plus a hint of lavender. The palate is medium to full-bodied, firm, elegant and well balanced with grainy tannins, finishing lively and long. Drink date: 2020 - 2037

2015

REVUE DE PRESSE



JAMES SUCKLING.COM 

Février 2018 Note **93**

Plum pastries with violets and spiced blueberry fruits. The palate has impressive plushness and rich, fleshy appeal. Long finish. Try from 2022.

Wine Spectator

James Molesworth

Janvier 2018 Note **90**

A rather chunky style, with fig, boysenberry and blackberry confiture notes thoroughly embedded with grippy, brambly structure. Roasted apple wood and licorice snap notes fill in on the finish. Relies on power more than guile. Best from 2020 through 2027. 5,000 cases made.


WINE ADVOCATE

Neal Martin

Mars 2018 Note **90**

The 2015 Corbin, a blend of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc, has a crisp, well-defined bouquet with bright redcurrant and cranberry fruit that shines once you get past a bit of bottle funk. The palate is medium-bodied with chewy tannin on the entry, a little furry in texture but there is pleasant, toasty black fruit toward the soft landing on the finish. This is a well-made Saint-Émilion although it is one I would broach in its youth. Anticipated maturity: 2019 - 2027.

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Février 2018 Note **89**

The 2015 Corbin shows much better from bottle than it did from barrel. Plump, juicy and forward, with lovely depth, it has much to recommend it. The dark red plum, mocha, chocolate, savory herb, leather, licorice, tobacco and smoke avors are nicely delineated. The 2015 has come along nicely. I would prefer to drink it over the next handful of years.

Decanter

Jane Anson

Déc. 2017 Note **94**

Anabelle Cruse Bardinet is a brilliant winemaker who is focussed and unflappable, and for me is making the best wines on the Corbin plateau (alongside Grand Corbin Despaigne). Her 2015 showcases exactly why - the fruit is precise, clean, intense and fully flavoured without being overcooked. Drinking window 2023 – 2038.

JEB DUNNUCK

Nov. 2017 Note **93**

From a 13-hectare estate located north and slightly west of the village of Saint-Emilion, the 2015 Château Corbin is mostly Merlot blended with 17% Cabernet Franc, all of which comes from sandier, clay soils. It offers ample notes of ripe cherries, strawberries, dried herbs and bouquet garni, with a beautiful floral quality developing with time in the glass. Ripe, undeniably sexy and polished on the palate, with full-bodied richness and ultra-fine tannin, give bottles a few year and drink over the following 10-15. Tasted three time.

LA REVUE DU
vin
DE FRANCE

Pierre Citerne

Sept. 2017 Note **16**

Le velouté de la chair est souligné par la générosité des tanins ; l'expression a pris un tour floral captivant. L'esprit charmeur et charnu propre au secteur est transcrit élégamment dans ce vin.



PRIMEUR TASTING



Thierry Desseauve

Juin-Août 2016 Note **17,5 - 18**

Racé, profond, fin et subtil, allonge ultra précise, volume brillant. Le meilleur vin de la propriété incontestablement et l'une des grandes réussites de l'appellation. Fruit souple, assez gourmand.



Mathieu Doumenge

Mai-Juin 2016 Note **16**

L'illustration même du grand classique. Onctuosité en bouche, sans exubérance. Le fruit caressant aux arômes de cerise noire se combine avec des tanins bien polis, du crémeux en finale. Un élève studieux.



WINE CHRONICLES

Panos Kakaviatos

Mai 2016 Note **91 - 93**

What a difference. Much lighter touch and like water, compared to Magrez-Fombrauge, tasted just before. It took a few minutes to get my palate back, and then I just fell for the subtle notes of chocolate, damson, and all quite nuanced in its richness, with a fresh tonic lift on the finish: Bravo! I can understand why Decanter gave it a "best ever from barrel" rating. On the other hand, I still adore 2014 at Corbin. Whatever. Buy this. You will be happy!



Neal Martin

Avril 2016 Note **91 - 93**

The 2015 Corbin is a blend of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc that was cropped at 38 hl/ha picked between 17 September and 9 October. It has an intense bouquet, a touch of fish oil underneath the feisty red berry fruit. The palate is medium-bodied with a dense, quite structured opening, a tight fist of red and black fruit at the moment that I am certain will open up during its barrel maturation. What I appreciate here is the precision on the finish, at a level that I have not encountered with respect to this property. It may warrant a higher score when in bottle. Drink 2021 - 2045.



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Bernard Burtschy

Avril 2016 Note **16,5**

La robe est sombre avec un joli nez très aromatique de chocolat noir. Le vin est dense et souple, plein de charme. 80 merlot, 20 cabernet-franc sur 13 ha. 3 - 10 ans.



Avril 2016 Note **16,5**

Very dark crimson. Meaty, layered nose. Lots of sweetness upfront. Quite a dramatic wine but - just - not overdone. A bit hot on the end though... And very dry. Drink 2024 - 2034.

2015

REVUE DE PRESSE



Decanter

James Lawther MW

Avril 2016

Note 91

Could be Annabelle Bardinet's finest. Poised and precise. Really elegant this year. Smooth texture. Fine grain of tannin. Lift and length on the finish.

JEAN-MARC QUARIN

Avril 2016

Note 16,25

Couleur sombre, intense et belle. Nez fruité. Note de framboise. Bouche pulpeuse, fondante, soyeuse, évoluant pleine et juteuse vers une longue finale séveuse. C'est délicieux et en plus très parfumé, bien plus que d'habitude. Bravo.

JAMES SUCKLING.COM

Mars 2016

Note 93 - 94

Very concentrated and fresh. Full body, very velvety and long. Walnut, blackberry. Goes on for minutes.

Wine Spectator

James Molesworth

Avril 2016

Note 89 - 92

Relying on lush dark fruit and ample toast, this envelopes with its velvety feel while the fig, blackberry and warm ganache notes meld through the finish. Shows more power than grace, but very solid.

LA REVUE DU
vin
DE FRANCE

Pierre Citerne

Mai 2016

Note 15 - 16

L'échantillon transcrit l'esprit charmeur et charnu propre au secteur avec beaucoup d'élégance. Le velouté de la chair est souligné par la générosité glycérolée des tanins.

THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER

Jeff Leve

Avril 2016

Note 92 - 93

With notes of truffle, licorice, black plum and rain-soaked earth creating the perfume, this is clearly, the richest, silkiest wine ever made at Corbin. The plush mouth feel has an unmistakable presence of ripe, fresh fruits, purity and length with a touch of clay and minerals in the finish. What I really love about this wine is the darker fruit profile, which can be difficult to find in the sandy soils from this part of the appellation. A blend of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc, the wine reached 14.5% alcohol and will be aged in 40% new, French oak barrels. After it's in the bottle, I would not be surprised to see this score at the top end of the range — and maybe a point higher!

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Izak Litwar

Avril 2016

Note 93

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René Gabriel

Avril 2016

Note 17

Tiefes Purpur, satt in der Mitte, Granatschimmer am Rand. Ansprechendes Bouquet, viel rote Beeren. Im Gaumen charmant, auch hier wieder mit einem schönen Erdbeerentouch aufwartend. Sicherlich ein Wein der tendenziell früh Gefallen bieten wird. 2021 - 2036.



Bloomberg

Elin Mc Coy

Avril 2016
« The 2015
Bordeaux
vintage is
superb. Here's
the best... »

Eight wines with great value

Gorgeously succulent and fruity, this wine shows how great the vintage was merlot grapes grown on clay soils.

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2016-04-13/the-2015-bordeaux-vintage-is-incredible-what-to-buy-and-avoid>

B My Bordeaux

Christer Byklum

Avril 2016

Note **91 - 93**

Deep ruby. Spices, dark fruits, plums and blueberries. Fresh acidity, ripe tannins, fruity, dark berries, spices, long.

Journal d'un passionné de la rive droite

Blog de Daniel Sériot

Avril 2016

Note **90 - 92**

Le nez ouvert évoque les fruits mûrs et frais nuancés d'épices et de moka. La bouche est élégante, et se développe dans un centre plus dense, finement charnu et fuité. La finale est allongée, fraîche, persistante avec des tannins un peu plus impressifs.

 **winedoctor**
by Chris Kissack

Avril 2016

Note **15,5 - 16,5**

This is a Merlot-dominant blend, probably reflecting the 83% planted in the vineyard, alongside 17% Cabernet Franc. Yield 38 hl/ha. A very pretty nose, showing the ripe black cherry of the vintage, with a floral overtone giving it lift. The palate is fresh, poised, very succulent, with an elegant presence in the midpalate, with fine-grained tannins sitting nicely within the body of the wine, which is all dark plum fruit and toasted pips, with supple texture and fresh acids. In the finish, I find succulent fine-grained tannins, rather firm and grippy and to the fore, with some lip-smacking fruit. Tasted twice, with good consistency.