

DOMAINE DE CHEVALIER**PRIMEUR ROUGE 2021****REVUE DE PRESSE / PRESS REVIEW**

- ◆ [JAMES SUCKLING](#) : A medium-bodied DC with a pretty core of ripe fruit that shows licorice, blackberry and some currant character. Spice box, too. Very long, with fine tannins and plenty of energy. **95-96 / 100**
- ◆ [MICHEL BETTANE](#) : L'une des grandes réussites de l'appellation, avec de toute évidence des cabernets qui sont allés loin en maturité de raisin. Énergie, finesse aromatique, noblesse du tannin et du boisé. Tous les échantillons dégustés son parfaitement tirés. **95-96 / 100**
- ◆ [ROBERTPARKER.COM](#) / [WILLIAM KELLEY](#) : The 2021 Domaine de Chevalier is full of promise, bursting with aromas of dark berries and plums mingled with loamy soil, bay leaf, licorice, potpourri and spices. Medium to full-bodied, seamless and complete, its velvety attack segues into a lively, layered core, concluding with a long, nicely defined finish. Olivier Bernard doesn't think that this will surpass his 2018, but I tend to disagree. The 2021 is a blend of fully 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot and the rest Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. **93-95 / 100**
- ◆ [ANTONIO GALLONI](#) / [VINOUS.COM](#) : The 2021 Domaine de Chevalier was terrific both times I tasted it. Potent and driving, the 2021 dazzles with Cabernet Sauvignon intensity in its aromas, flavors and overall structure. Graphite, spice, menthol, spice, rose petals, mocha and flowers run through a core of red/purplish fruit. The Blanc gets most of the attention at Domaine de Chevalier, but these days I find the red more complete and more interesting. **94-96 / 100**
- ◆ [DECANTER](#) / [GEORGINA HINDLE](#): Aromatic nose, perfumed black fruits, bramble tones and a touch of sweet spice. Round and mouthfilling, this has good density and depth for the vintage, tannins are on the juicy plump side with a dry grippy texture though satisfying not austere with the fruit powering through giving cherry and blackcurrant flavours. This has good persistency and doesn't let up - it's not a showstopper at this point but I love the quality of the fruit and the tannins and the lifted acidity as well as the darker more savoury elements of liquorice, black chocolate, graphite and smoked cedar that come in towards the end. Lots going on here with good potential. You get the impression nothing is hiding and I love that. Really the grapes and the terroir on show. A good success and will be interesting to taste in bottle **94 / 100**
- ◆ [BERNARD BURTSCHY](#) : **97-98 / 100**
- ◆ [VINOUS](#) / [NEAL MARTIN](#) : The 2021 Domaine de Chevalier was picked from September 28 until October 15 at 30hL/ha. Tobacco- and sous-bois-infused black fruit unfurl with a sense of assuredness on the nose, the best example, a third bottle toward the end of my tastings, being the most delineated. This has energy rather than horsepower. The palate is mediumbodied with pencillead-infused black fruit and a slightly powdery texture, certainly the most saline in recent years, leading to an almost Pauillacinspired finish. Stylish and classic Domaine de Chevalier. **93-95 / 100**
- ◆ [LE POINT](#) : Fruits noirs, notes épicées, bouche ample, complète, notes de violette, tanins moelleux, enrobés, finale sapide, sérieux, cèdre, long, équilibré. **18 / 20**
- ◆ [TERRE DE VINS](#) : Que de profondeur déjà à la vue avec une couleur encre d'une incroyable intensité. Des notes d'un cabernet bien mûr qui représente 90 % de l'assemblage. Concentration, amplitude remarquable. C'est onctueux, équilibré tout en gardant beaucoup de générosité. Très mûr, très riche. **96 / 100**

- ◆ [JEB DUNNUCK](#) : A true success in the vintage is the 2021 Domaine de Chevalier from the team of Olivier Bernard. Based on 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, and the rest Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc, it was harvested between the September 28 and October 12. It will spend 18 months in a mix of new and used barrels. Medium to full-bodied, concentrated, and focused, with the style of the vintage front and center, it has gorgeous cassis and darker fruits, notes of tobacco and violets, ripe tannins, a great mid-palate, and outstanding length. It's up there with the top wines in the vintage. **93-95 /100**
 - ◆ [JANE ANSON](#) : Inky purple in colour, powerful aromatics. Chevalier is often an estate to turn to in challenging vintages, and is proving its mettle here. This is another league from much of 2021, extremely impressive in quality. Clove, saffron, turmeric, leather, complex layers of flavour that unroll slowly and get a sense of momentum building. The fingerprint of 2021 comes through in the savoury black fruits and austere tannins that need more filling out over ageing, but this is exceptional. 30hl/h yield. In organic conversion **94 /100**
 - ◆ [ALEXANDRE MA](#) : The 80% Cabernet Sauvignon shows extraordinary grace in Domaine de Chevalier 2021. When it greets me with fragrances of cedar, cigarette ash, and scandalwood, when the taste of ripened and juicy berries takes up my palates, I witness a “traditional Bordeaux with modern aesthetics”. Bravo to Domaine de Chevalier! For it delivers the dreamy ripeness in such a difficult vintage, interpreting the brave chivalry spirit that I admire. **95-96 / 100**
- 80%的高比例赤霞珠在2021年份的骑士庄中展现出了傲人的气质。当雪松、烟灰、檀香木的芬芳迎面扑来的时候；当成熟多汁的莓果萦绕味蕾的时候，我看到了一个“兼具现代审美的传统波尔多形象”。今年我必须给骑士酒庄打Call，能够在这么困难的年份表现的梦寐以求的成熟度，这就是我要的骑士精神，“舍我其谁”的骑士精神。**95-96**
- ◆ [MARKUS DEL MONEGO MW](#) : Dark purple colour with violet hue and black core. Very well structured wine with depth and length, the nose displays an aroma reminiscent of black stone fruit in the background. On the palate rather full-bodied with firm yet ripe tannins, juicy fruit, discreet spiciness and very convincing length. **96 / 100**
 - ◆ [JEAN-MARC QUARIN](#) : Belle couleur sombre et pourpre. Nez intense, au fruité mûr, pur et suave. Délicat en entrée de bouche, parfumé au milieu, caressant dans son déroulé, le vin s'étire en finale raffiné et aromatique, sans marquer le tannin. Bonne longueur. **16,75/20 [93/100]**
 - ◆ [LA REVUE DU VIN DE FRANCE](#) : La race aromatique épicée, poivrée, subtilement chlorophyllienne signale un vin qui se démarque déjà visuellement par sa teinte intense et profonde. La présence en bouche est serrée, tendue, nerveuse, tout aussi racée que la palette aromatique. Malgré le profil longiligne, la structure du vin s'appuie sur une matière nettement plus fournie que la moyenne. Chevalier 2021 affirme son identité très cabernet (80% de sauvignon, 5% de franc, et 5% de petit verdot, complétés par 10% de merlot) avec brio. C'est une des réussites majeures d'un millésime où tant de vins semblent timides ou renfrognés. **92-94**
 - ◆ [CHRIS KISSACK – THE WINE DOCTOR](#) : The yield was a very modest 28 hl/ha. Aromatically this feels very fresh and beautifully perfumed, with rather wild curranty notes, touched with blackcurrant leaf, dried curranty fruits, damp forest floor and autumnal wood-smoke. It has a supple presence at the start of the palate, more than a hint of sweetness to the texture, which feels lightly grained but it holds up extremely well through the middle. Beneath it sits the rather firm and powdery tannins which give the midpalate such fine grip. This feels lithe and sinewy, taut and restrained, and the grip on the finish is dry and extracted. Nevertheless there is such aromatic joy here, and such rich fruit and texture, that this will surely come together given time. The alcohol is about 13%. **92-94 / 100**