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LALANDE-BORIE  
2015  
PRIMEURS

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\* Chris Kissack, *Wine Doctor*, April 2016

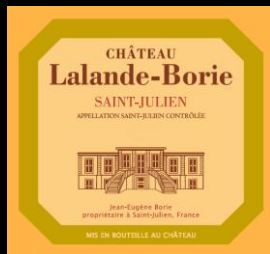
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## Château Lalande-Borie 2015 Reviews

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Jancis Robinson, Jancisrobinson.com,  
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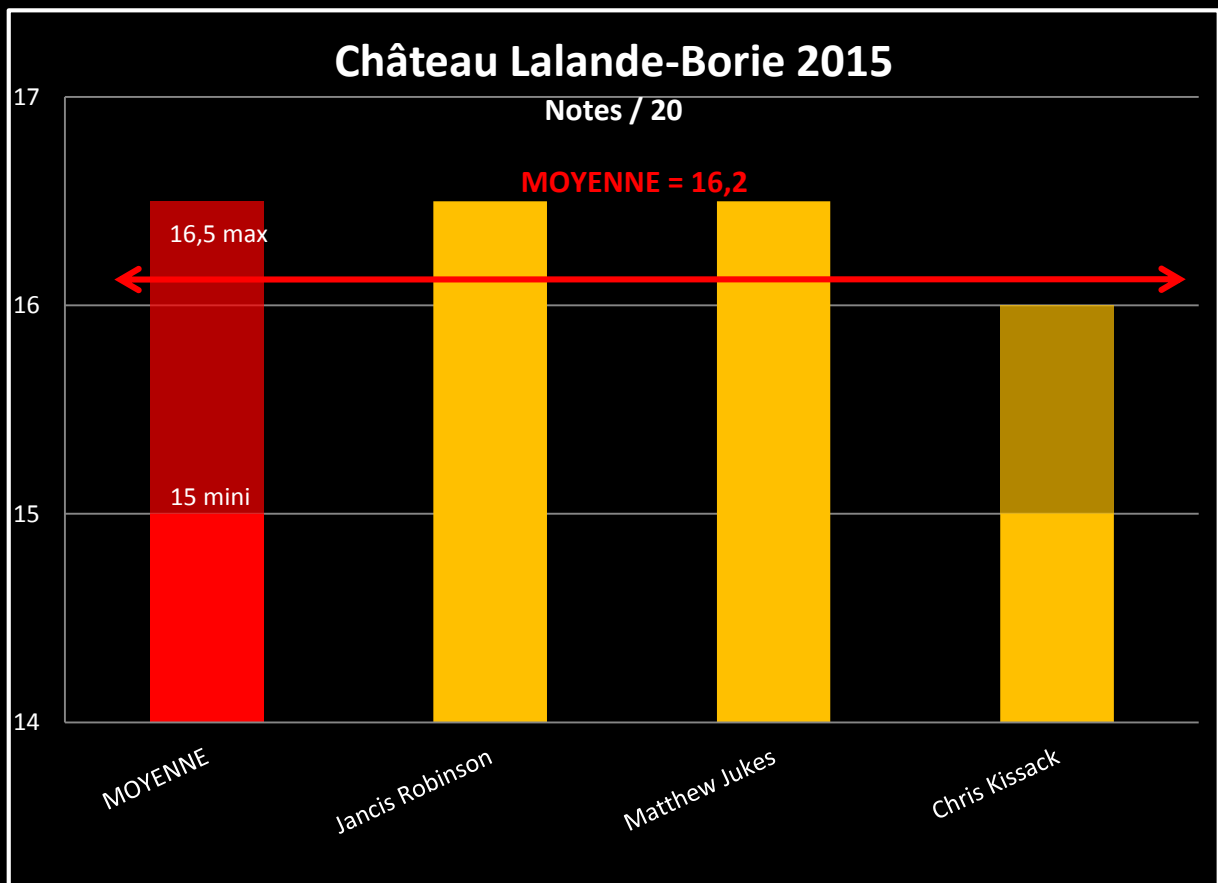
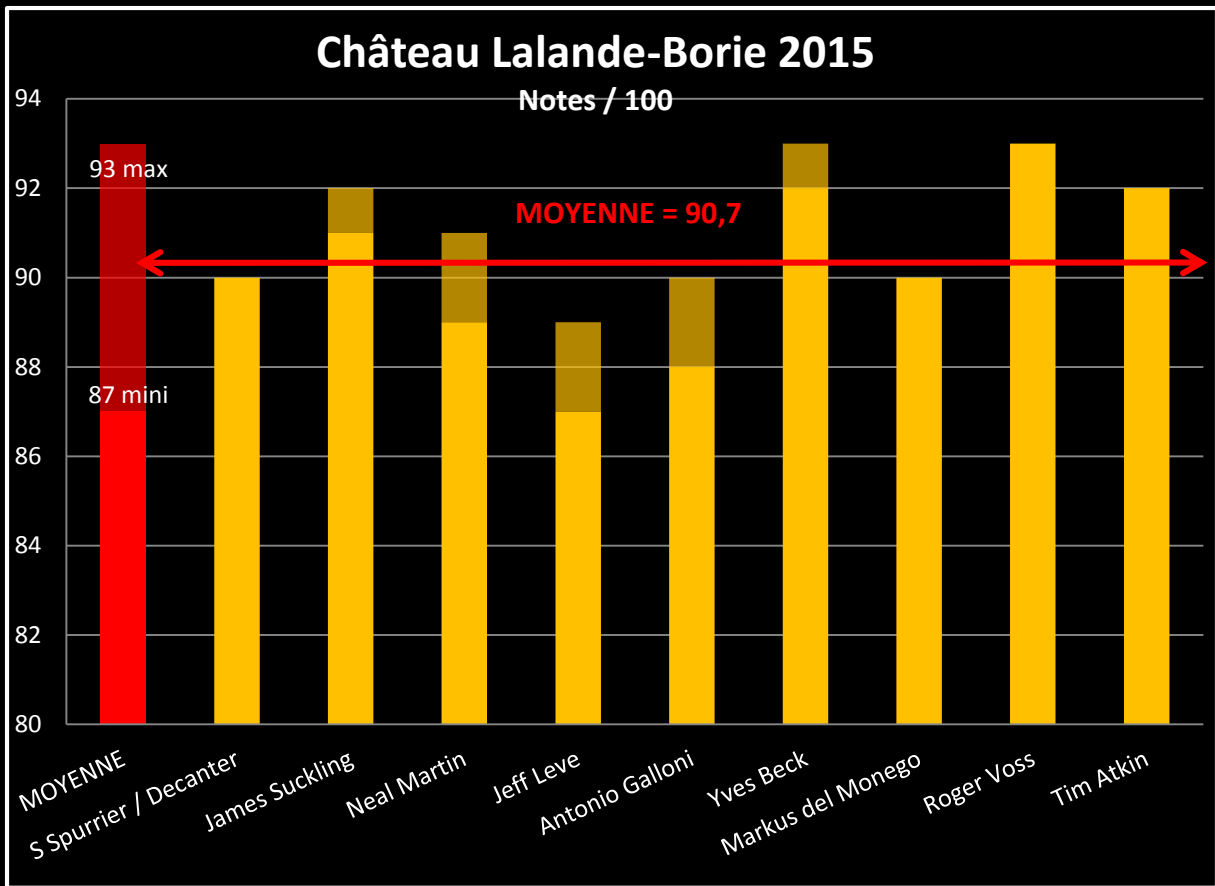
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Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast,  
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Antonio Galloni, Vinous,  
« **... attractive ... built on grace ... »**

Yves Beck, Beckustator,  
« **Bouquet ... très fin ... belle structure racée. Une valeur sûre. »**

Tim Atkin, Timatkin,  
« **Smooth and attractive... »**





## Château Lalande-Borie 2015 Ratings

**87 ≤ LLB ≤ 93**  
**15 ≤ LLB ≤ 16,5**

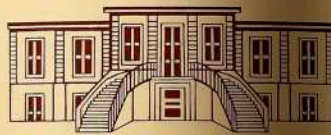
**AVERAGE = 90,7**

Critics	Publication	Rating
Roger Voss	<i>Wine Enthusiast</i>	93
Jeff Leve	<i>The Wine Cellar Insider</i>	87-89
Steven Spurrier	<i>Decanter</i>	90
Matthew Jukes	<i>Matthewjukes.com</i>	16,5
Jancis Robinson	<i>Jancisrobinson.com</i>	16,5
James Suckling	<i>Jamessuckling.com</i>	91-92
Neal Martin	<i>The Wine Advocate</i>	89-91
Yves Beck	<i>Beckustator.com</i>	92-93
Antonio Galloni	<i>Vinous</i>	88-90
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Tim Atkin	<i>Timatkin.com</i>	92

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APPELLATION SAINT-JULIEN CONTRÔLÉE



Jean-Eugène Borie  
propriétaire à Saint-Julien, France

MIS EN BOUTEILLE AU CHÂTEAU



## Château Lalande-Borie 2015

### The Story:

Château Lalande-Borie was created by Jean-Eugène BORIE in 1970. It occupies thirty hectares, of which twenty-five are vineyards, on the western plateau of Saint Julien, alongside some of the greatest classified growths of the appellation.

### Tasting Note (March 28, 2016)

**Color:** dark Garnet

**Nose:** fruity, a touch of well-integrated wood

**Palate:** beautiful structure, subtle, racy, alluring, long finish

From now on, a fully cru very subtle and racy.

### Meteorology:

2015 is ranked as one of the hottest summer in history, in terms of accumulated degrees and sunshine hours over the period. In fact, unlike 2003 for instance, there was no scorching period in Bordeaux in 2015. Actually, since the 1st of June, we faced long periods of dry weather with heat, interspersed with beneficial rainy episodes. Finally, nighttime temperature (essential variable to describe a heatwave), remained moderate over the period. Not stifling nights but a relative freshness.

The harvesting of the Merlot started September 21 and the Cabernet-Sauvignon September 26, ending on October 6.

### The Blend:

- 55% Merlot Noir
- 45% Cabernet-Sauvignon

### Our Commitment:

*The samples tasted during the en-primeur week were taken from the final blend done during the first three months of 2016.*

*This wine will mature for 12 months in 30% new oak barrels, the remainder in one-year old barrels (12 months). Our barrels are certified French oak, naturally cured in open-air drying parks during a minimum of 3 years.*

*Regular topping-up is done during the first 6 months of maturation.*

*The wine is raked through the bung holes every 2 or 3 months and undergoes a total of 4 rackings during its barrel maturation.*

*Bottling is carried out under sterile conditions with inert gas. The natural corks measure 49mm.*

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**Château Lalande-Borie (St Julien) 2015:** This is 55% Merlot, 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, and it will see out 12 months in 30% new oak. Pretty, dark cherry fruit on the nose, fresh with little notes of toasted pips and grilled almonds. **A very elegant and charming palate**, with supple fruit, nicely composed, fresh and broad, with tense black cherry edge, lightly desiccated. **This is an attractive wine**, this will drink well relatively young, but has some structure for the cellar too. From my *Bordeaux 2015 primeurs* assessment. 15-16/20 (April 2016) 🔍

Jancis Robinson

## Ch Lalande Borie 2015 St-Julien

16.5

*55% Merlot, 45% Cabernet Sauvignon. pH 3.8. 'I think this year we have finally found a style for this wine', says Bruno Borie. 'Fresh nights in June and July protected us in summer.'*

Mid crimson, even a little light. **Very sweet and perfumed.** Floral. Light and lacy. A little too sweet for my taste.

By James Suckling

## CHÂTEAU LALANDE-BORIE ST.-JULIEN TASTING NOTE

Score

**91-92**

*A solid red with dark berry and wet earth aromas and flavor.  
Full body, chewy tannins yet polished and balanced. Serious  
concentration for the vintage for this estate.*

**Country** France  
**Region** Bordeaux  
**Vintage** 2015  
**Date** April 1st, 2016

# Château Lalande-Borie

Bordeaux, Saint-Julien, France

By Markus Del Monego

**90/100**

## WRITTEN NOTES

Dark purple red with violet hue and almost black core. **Very fine nose** with multi-layered character, juicy fruit, discreet hints of vanilla and cloves, gingerbread and oak spices. On the palate well structured with fine tannins, **perfect balance and good length**.

90p

- Markus Del Monego / Best Sommelier in the World 1998

# THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER

By Jeff Leve

## 2015 Château Lalande-Borie

Sweet, round fruits, soft textures and a blast of chocolate covered cherry, plum and licorice that drinks well young and it sells for a fair price. What more can you ask for in [a value Bordeaux wine](#)? 87-89 Pts

**88 points** - Tasted Apr 20, 2016

54 Views

# Decanter

By Steven Spurrier

## Château Lalande-Borie 2015

POINTS 90

**Fine perfume and fruit purity.** Lots of polish and no heavy tannins to get in the way.



# matthewjukes

## THE BORDEAUX REPORT

2015 EN PRIMEUR

### **Château Lalande-Borie (Saint-Julien - from the Ducru-Beaucaillou portfolio)**

(55 Merlot, 45 Cabernet Sauvignon) | 30% new oak. | 13.5% alc. | 65IPT.

**Very pure, bright, clean and nicely fruit-driven**, the Merlot is crunchy and rather attractive, because while it was very hot in the Summer, none of the bunches got burnt. The nights managed to keep some semblance of balance and this has resulted in a lively, crunchy, forward, red-fruited style of wine. **16.5+**

# WINE ENTHUSIAST

By Roger Voss

## Château Lalande-Borie 2015 Barrel Sample (Saint-Julien)

**93**  
POINTS

92–94. Barrel Sample. This is opulent and rich with generous tannins that are subsumed into the ripe black plum flavors. **It's a big wine** with forward fruit, subtle tannins and wood. The freshness at the end is just there.



Lalande-  
Borie


The 2015 Lalande-Borie is an **attractive**, mid-weight Saint-Julien to drink over the next handful of years, while the fruit retains its freshness. This is an especially lithe, feminine Saint-Julien **built on grace** more than power from iron and sand-rich soils on the western side of the appellation. The blend is 55% Merlot and 45% Cabernet Sauvignon.

— Antonio Galloni

(88-90)

By Neal Martin

### 2015 Lalande-Borie

Lalande-Borie 

A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from France, St Julien, Bordeaux, France

eRobertParker.com #224  
Apr 2016

Neal Martin

(89-91)

Drink: 2019 -  
2032

The 2015 Lalande-Borie is a blend of 45% Cabernet Sauvignon and 55% Merlot. Picked from 26 September until 2-3 October, it has a surprising bouquet: high-toned and exotic for the vintage, very intense cassis and iodine aromas, perhaps needing just a little more complexity to come through, though I am sure it will by the time of bottling. The palate is more controlled at the moment, restores order as it were. The tannins are quite dense, lending weight to this Lalande-Borie, the acidity is nicely judged and the finesse finally comes through towards the finish.



**Château Lalande-Borie, St Julien**

(13.49%; 55Me, 45CS)

Something of a bargain at Ducru-Beaucaillou, this comes from sandier soils in the west of St. Julien and is correspondingly lighter in style. **Smooth and attractive**, this is sweet and appealing but with good underlying tannins and acidity. Drink: 2020-26

# Wine Spectator

By James Molesworth

Moving back into St.-Julien, the '15 **Lalande-Borie** is a blend of 55 percent Merlot and 45 percent Cabernet, offering lush but still focused plum compote and roasted vanilla notes, with a hint of black licorice turning to charcoal on the finish. It too is value priced (relatively), with current vintages just under \$30 a bottle.

## Beckustator

By Yves Beck

### Château Lalande Borie 2015

Robe rouge grenat aux reflets violacés. **Bouquet minéral et fruité, très fin**, révélant des notes de cassis et de pruneaux. Attaque légèrement suave, de bonne intensité avec touche boisée et du fruit. Le vin a du corps, un peu de gras et **une belle structure racée**. Les tannins sont granuleux et de pair avec la structure. Finale fruitée et persistante. **Une valeur sûre**. 2020-2035 **92-93/100**



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