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TROPLONG MONDOT

1^{ER} GRAND CRU CLASSÉ

MILLESIME 2012 / VINTAGE 2012

Robert Parker – 30 avril 2015 : 96/100

“The 2012 is another truly great wine from Troplong Mondot. It’s always sentimental to taste this wine, realizing that proprietress Christine Valette (the larger-than-life heart and soul behind this estate) has passed away. She was one of the bright, shining stars of Bordeaux. Nevertheless, her legacy is certainly well-established, and the quality of this wine is beyond reproach. Inky bluish purple, its great notes of cassis, blackberry, licorice are followed by a full-bodied, opulently textured wine with stunning concentration, purity and overall balance. It should drink well for 20-25 years and turn out to be one of the great superstars of 2012.”

La Revue du Vin de France – mai 2013 : 17,5-18,5/20

“Superbe, crémeux, texture charnue, égayée par le poivre et le menthol. Cette densité gourmande ponctuée de fraîcheur fait de ce 2012 un vin de grande élégance.”

Antonio Galloni – Vinous – 11 janvier 2016 : 94/100

“One of the clear wines of the vintage, the 2012 Troplong-Mondot has been remarkable on several occasions. Sweet crushed flowers, red cherries, smoke, tobacco and plums open up in a heady, sensual Saint-Emilion that hits all the right notes. The 2012 blossoms nicely with time in the glass, gaining volume, but never losing its precision. This head-turning, flashy Saint-Emilion will delight readers for the next two decades, perhaps longer. What a gorgeous wine this is. Sadly, proprietor Christine Valette passed away in the spring of 2013, but her legacy will remain alive for quite some time with wines like this.”

Jancis Robinson – 19 septembre 2013 : 17/20

“Very sweet and rich – given it blind I might almost take it for a South American on the nose. But suitably dry, structured and Bordelais on the palate. Very harmonious. Polished tannins and not too much sweetness. A successful 2012.”

James Suckling – jamesuckling.com - 11 février 2015 : 94/100

“This is concentrated and impressive for the vintage with beautiful ripe fruit, minerals, chocolate and light-coffee character. Full body, polished tannins and a long finish. Better in 2018.”

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Gault & Millau – avril 2016 : 17,5/20

“Nez mûr tout en restant élégant, avec une note florale de violette. Bouche équilibrée entre la force et la finesse. Un vin taillé pour la garde et pourtant, le plaisir est déjà là : telle est la force de son caractère. Impressionnant pour le millésime.”

Jeff Leve – The Wine Cellar Insider - 26 avril 2013 : 93-95/100

“Dark in color with licorice, jam, earth, dark chocolate, coffee and smoke aromas open to a silky, plush, polished, rich-textured wine filled with sweet, jammy blackberries, dark chocolate and black raspberry. Thick, lush and rich, this is a wine for hedonists.”

Le Point – 16 mai 2013 : 16,5/20

“Nez fruits rouges, bouche onctueuse, extraite mais veloutée, gras, long, puissant mais séveux et tendu mais moins surmûri que certaines années.”

James Molesworth – Wine Spectator – 3 avril 2013 : 91-94/100

“Well-toasted, with coffee and ganache notes coating the core of crushed plum and blackberry fruit. Keeps a hefty feel through the finish, with the ganache edge dominating. Lacks the taut feel of the vintage, pulling off the powerful style with aplomb.”

Mathew Jukes – 13 avril 2013 : 18/20

“Spicy and even peppery on the nose with intense blackberry fruit this is a hedonic beauty.”

Jean-Marc Quarin – 15 avril 2013 : 17/20

“Couleur sombre, intense et belle. Nez fruité, mûr, crémeux, aromatique, frais et complexe. Bouche dense et aromatique au toucher fin qui évolue noble sur une bonne corpulence, des tanins gras mais aussi raffinés. C’est long et délicieux.”

Andreas Larsson – 100% Tasted Blind – 16 avril 2013 : 95/100

“Exquisite perfume, violet, cassis, wild berries, plum, leather, gently smoky notes and a dense, opulent structure, finely grained tannins and plenty of freshness, very good length. Excellent proportions and great potential.”

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**Markus Del Monego - 100% Tasted Blind - 22 septembre 2014 :
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"Dark purple red with violet hue and black centre. Elegant and persistent nose with dark berries, blackberries, blackcurrants and hints of ripe plums, toasted flavors. On the palate opulent and elegant with good structure, weight and convincing length. A very high level elegant wine."