

**CHÂTEAU**  
**TROPLONG MONDOT**  
1<sup>ER</sup> GRAND CRU CLASSE

**MILLESIME 2016 / VINTAGE 2016**

**Antonio Galloni - Vinous - 25 avril 2017 : 94-97/100**

"The 2016 Troplong Mondot is one of the most intense, primary wines I tasted this year. At this early stage, the 2016 tastes like it was just drained from tank, as the flavors and textures are remarkably intense. The malos are not fully finished, which is quite normal here. Even so, the purity of the flavors is striking. Plush, sensual and inviting, the 2016 is shaping up to be a jewel of a wine. Super-ripe dark purplish fruit, chocolate, new leather and spice overtones build into the huge, dramatic finish. As always, Troplong Mondot is one of the most flamboyant Saint-Emilion readers will come across."

**Neal Martin – Wine Advocate - 28 avril 2017 : 93-96/100**

"It has a decadent bouquet that seems to carry more alcohol than its peers, very pure and floral and miraculously managing to maintain satisfying delineation. The palate is underpinned by enormous tannins! This is a massive Troplong Mondot that is very dense and sinewy, a bit of a "bruiser" in its infancy. It exerts a vice-like grip in the mouth with layers of fruit laced with black pepper on the prolonged finish. What's the Spinal Tap quote about turning everything up to eleven? This is a Saint Emilion that will either transform into a legend or will topple over by the sheer weight of the tannins, which is why I gave a slightly enlarged banded score. I'll be fascinated to re-taste this in bottle."

**James Suckling - 24 mars 2017 : 96-97/100**

"Tar and blackberries here on the palate with very polished tannins and dense, beautiful fruit. Tight and centered. Wow. Can it be better than the 2015? We will see."

**Bettane & Desseauve - 3 mai 2017 : 96-97/100**

"Plénitude ample et séveuse, beaucoup de densité, intensité profonde, grande allonge, race."

**James Molesworth - Wine Spectator - 5 avril 2017 : 94-97/100**

"Beautifully pure and expressive, with creamy-textured cassis, raspberry and boysenberry puree notes streaming through, gilded by a violet note and backed by refined minerality on the finish. There's a backdrop of alluring spice-infused toast, but the fruit takes center stage here."

**Jeannie Cho Lee - 18 avril 2017 : 97/100**

"Sumptuous, layered, intense and concentrated, this Troplong Mondot has it all. Gorgeous flavors of blackberries, cocoa and dark chocolate. This wine is beautifully balanced between ripeness, walking on the edge of ripeness and over-ripeness, while remaining on the fresh side. Seductive, rich and long. A wine to cellar for a few decades."

**Bernard Burtschy - Le Figaro - 10 mai 2017 : 17/20**

"Petite pointe pruneau, fruits noirs, rose, florale. Bouche séveuse, un peu massive, tannins encore serrés, vanillé, finale très longue et intense."

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**Terre de Vins - 10 mai 2017 : 18/20**

“Toujours dans son style à lui, intense et puissant, Troplong 2016 décline des notes épicees et réglissées, de subtiles nuances fumées, du cèdre, de l'eucalyptus. Un profil assez percutant mais non dénué de longueur - un alpiniste solide sur ses appuis.”

**Wine Enthusiast - 6 avril 2017 : 96-98/100**

“In a style that this estate has made its own, this is a lush, superripe wine. There is a sense of high alcohol, although the fruit and the tannins are so generous that all is forgiven. An immensely rich wine, it should have a long cellaring future.”

**Jane Anson - Decanter - 21 avril 2017 : 95/100**

“This is stunning. Troplong never has trouble conjuring up wonderfully rich fruit, but here it is plump and dense without being pumped up. The tannins are chewy rather than chalky, but the elegance of the vintage is unmistakable, and the rich chocolate flavours are dusted with mint. There is a very pretty salinity on the finish that lasts for minutes. I had a fascinating visit here at the start of the week, and retasted several times as this is a wine that I sometimes have trouble understanding. My main takeout is that the majority of the richness here is found naturally in the terroir - limestone on the plateau but with cool clay over the top, which explains why they are such late harvesters. But there are always winemaking and viticultural choices coming into play in any wine, and here there are adjustments being made to bring out a more finely wrought version of what is always a high impact and successful wine.”

**René Gabriel - 31 mai 2017 : 17/20**

“Kunz Fassprobe 17: Konzentriertes, üppiges, süßes Bouquet, Kirschenkompott, Schokolade, Caramel. Kräftiger, breiter Gaumen mit molliger, süßer Frucht, bulliger Struktur, viel sandigem Tannin, üppiger, trockener Abgang. Kann noch zulegen.”

“J'ai dégusté le Troplong Mondot 2016 à la propriété et il semble que ce soit un vin parfait en cours d'élaboration. Offrant un incroyable bouquet de fruits noirs et bleus, de violette, d'expresso et de graphite, ce monstre frappe le palais par sa richesse et sa profondeur, tout en glissant sur le palais avec des tanins très fins. Avec une pureté de fruit époustouflante et un équilibre parfait, c'est un échantillon barrique magnifique.”

**La Revue Du Vin de France - 24 avril 2017 : 17-18/20**

“Abord capiteux, opaque, serré, jus de mûre profond, tannins sucrés, abondants et fins : c'est bien le style Troplong. On est pourtant loin du hiératique 2015. Séduisantes nuances de goût, sa trame tannique souveraine se met au service du fruit.”

**Olivier Bompas - Le Point - 8 mai 2017 : 17/20**

“Fruits noirs murs, réglisse, note de chocolat, de la fraîcheur, du velours en bouche, tanins denses, soyeux, profond, long, beaucoup de finesse.”

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**Jean-Marc Quarin - 28 avril 2017 : 18,5/20**

"Couleur sombre, intense, pourpre, violine, belle. Nez intense, fin, fruité, mûr, complexe. Superbe entrée en bouche moelleuse et veloutée. Puis le vin glisse au palais, riche et extrêmement fruité avec un fond de framboise et réglisse. Puissant, mais fondant, il s'achève long, savoureux et épicé. Étonnant !"

**Jeff Leve - The Wine Cellar Insider - 2 mai 2017 : 96-98/100**

"Commanding, powerful, dark and intense, this wine is unfathomably deep, concentrated and juicy. While sizeable, there is a loveliness in the purity of the fruit and no heaviness on the palate. Instead, it's balanced and harmonious. The velvet textured, opulent finish offers chocolate-covered plums and blackberry with licorice and a beautiful, multifaceted earthy character. This will take some time to come around."

**Jeb Dunnuck - 30 novembre 2017 : 97-100/100**

"I was able to taste the 2016 Troplong Mondot at the estate and it looks to be a perfect wine in the making. Offering an incredible bouquet of black and blue fruits, violets, espresso and graphite, this monster hits the palate with full-bodied richness and depth, yet just glides over the palate with ultra-fine tannin. With awesome purity of fruit and perfect balance, it's a drop dead gorgeous barrel sample."

**Yves Beck - 24 avril 2017 : 96-97/100**

"Pourpre violacé. Bouquet intense, complexe. Baies noires, eucalyptus, réglisse, épices. Agréables touche fumée et minérale. Certes l'élevage est bien marqué mais dans la complexité présente, ce n'est pas vraiment inquiétant. La mise en bouche est friande et fruitée. Corps ample, juteux, doté d'une structure vive et de tannins granuleux qui se révèlent lentement en fin de bouche. Ils sont compacts et assurent parfaitement les arrières. Un vin qui conjugue bien puissance et finesse. Finale persistante, un peu asséchante, mais la matière pour absorber ceci est présente. Un Troplong pas court du tout."