

# CHATEAU HAUT-BAILLY

CRU CLASSE DE GRAVES

2019

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05/2020

Such totally graceful perfumes to this, showing currants, dried flowers and stones, as well as hints of forest fruit and subtle tar, asphalt and smoke. Full-bodied, yet the texture is pristine with intense, polished and fine-grained tannins. So long, flavorful and **ever so beautiful**. The finish is never ending. This really is something special. **98-99**

JEB DUNNUCK

06/2020

A stunning wine in the making, the 2019 Château Haut-Bailly sports a deep purple hue as well lots of smoky black and blue fruits, unsmoked tobacco, cedar pencil, violets, and gravelly earth. **Showing the quintessential elegance and purity of this terroir**, it's medium to full-bodied, has no hard edges, and delivers wonderful purity of fruit and a great, great finish. It reminds me of a slightly more elegant 2009 and is a **beautiful, singular wine from this estate**, which is being run brilliantly by Veronique Sanders. It will benefit from just short-term cellaring yet drink well for 40+ years. **96-98**

Vinous

Antonio Galloni  
06/2020

Elegance and sophistication are front and center in the 2019 Haut-Bailly. A wine of finesse and understatement, the 2019 reveals itself slowly in the glass. Graphite, crushed rocks, lavender, blackberry and lavender are some of the nuances that develop over time, but more than anything else, the 2019 is all about focus, persistence and simply exquisite overall balance. **It is easily one of the highlights of the vintage.** **95-97**

WEINWISSE

06/2020

Dichtes Purpurgranat mit zartem rubinrotem Rand. Was für ein erotisches Parfüm nach Wildkirschen, rote Pflaumen und Ebenholz. Im zweiten Ansatz edle Cassiswürze und frischem Thymian. Am Gaumen mit seidiger Textur und einer magischen perfekt stützenden Rasse, **der Wein schwebt wie eine Primaballerina über die Tanzfläche**. Im energiegeladenen Finale ein langes Crescendo mit schwarzbeerigen Konturen, salzigem Extrakt, edler Terroirwürze und gewaltigem Lagerpotential. **Das kann man (fast) nicht besser machen, mich hat er völlig in seinen Bann gezogen und spielt dieses Jahr in einer eigenen Liga!** **19,5/20**



Lisa Perrotti-Brown

06/2020

Composed of 56% Cabernet Sauvignon, 36% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc and 4% Petit Verdot, the 2019 Haut-Bailly was harvested from the 23rd of September to 11th of October. Deep garnet-purple colored, it leaps from the glass with vivacious notes of blackcurrant cordial, black raspberries and plum preserves with a tantalizing undercurrent of candied violets, dark chocolate, menthol and licorice plus a touch of Chinese five spice. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is achingly elegant, showing off perfumed black fruit layers with a firm frame of very fine-grained, silt-like tannins and seamless freshness, finishing with incredible persistence and fragrance. **Just magic.** **97-99**

Decanter

Jane Anson  
05/2020

Intense colour, with seductive black fruits on the attack. Quickly expands outwards in the mouth, so much depth with tiny pulses of electric flavour and grip. **Feels very Haut-Bailly in its balance, energy and lift, with a clear savoury edge.** 4% Petit Verdot completes the blend. **97**

Vinous

Neal Martin  
05/2020

The 2019 Haut-Bailly was picked 23 September to 10 October. After 10-15 minutes in the glass the wine gradually unfurls to reveal beautiful red berry fruit, crushed stone, wilted rose petals and faint hints of blueberry. The palate is quite brilliantly balanced, the tannins extremely fine and framing the slightly earthy black fruit laced with salt. Though Véronique Sanders suggests that it bears a semblance to the 2009 with more depth, I cannot see that verisimilitude. To me, it is a less flamboyant and more terroir expressive Haut-Bailly that has **an effortless allure and a sense of sophistication**. Wonderful. **96-98**

Terre de Vins

05/2020

Somptueuse matière, vivante et pétrie d'énergie. Nez composé sur des notes florales, fruits noirs à point, finement cendré. La bouche incisive est tendue sur un fruité plus rouge, séveux, profond, où la fraîcheur accompagne la puissance. **Un 2019 où le cru classé se donne dans toute sa splendeur.** **98**



Markus Del Monego  
06/2020

Dark purple colour with violet hue and black core. Sophisticated and energetic wine with **great aromatic depth and excellent structure**. Aroma reminiscent of ripe berries, plums and cherries, graphite and blackcurrant spurs, subtle oak and mild spices in the background. On the palate excellent **depth and length, great finesse, multi-layered fruit and fine minerality.** **98**



Jeff Leve  
06/2020

Dark ruby in color, with a gorgeous bouquet of flowers, cigar box, tobacco, smoke, herbs and ripe, sweet, fresh red fruits. **Silky, sexy and seductive, with a long, sensuous palate, feel and presence, this is a beautiful expression of the vineyard.** It should drink a bit earlier than the 2015, 2016 and 2018. But it will still need time in the cellar. **97**

### Great Wines From Bordeaux

Izak Litwar  
06/2020

Very mineral, very Cabernet Sauvignon scented with associations to red meat and grilled bacon. Gentler and more elegant than usual, but keeping the richness and sophisticated touch intact. **Excellent complexity, balance and persistent finish. Refined and finesse. Fabulous effort.** **97**



James Lawther MW  
06/2020

Well within itself but **complex, compelling and racy**. Cool, fresh and reserved on the nose but with a density of dark fruit apparent. Lively, vibrant palate, the fruit juicy, pure and substantial, the abundant tannins lithe and long. Dry, clean, minerally finish. Good persistence and drive. **17,5+**



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Couleur sombre, intense et pourpre. Nez très aromatique, fin, fruité, pur, subtil. Moelleux à l'attaque, puis de suite fondant et en même temps plein en milieu de bouche, le vin se développe juteux, savoureux, avec une permanence du gras en finale. **Persistante noble où la douceur domine l'ensemble.** **95**



Roger Voss  
06/2020

This is a very fine wine, showing layers of the densest structure as well as stylish black fruits. It is possible to taste the balance that will emerge as the wine ages, bringing out the sumptuous fruits and soft tannins. **The wine is sure to age for a considerable time.** **96**



Yohan Castaing  
06/2020

Profondeur et race pour un bouquet superbe, élégant et plein. Quelle complexité aromatique dès à présent ? Mure, myrtille, cassis, très légères touches d'épices et sensualité au nez. Le côté austère est totalement gommé cette année. Cristallin, frais, très beaux grains de tanin, pureté remarquable. Vif, séduisant et très énergique. **Un Haut-Bailly qui deviendra légendaire.** **97-99**



05/2020

Rouge grenat dense aux reflets violets. Beaucoup de finesse et de précision dans le bouquet de Haut-Bailly 2019. Notes fruitées et fraîches avec des parfums de baies noires et de baies rouges suivies d'une touche florale. L'attaque est à l'image du nez : sereine et prometteuse. Le vin se révèle tranquillement. Il est crémeux, ample et doté de tannins serrés, aux grains fins, qui gagnent lentement en envergure le long du palais. La structure assure idéalement les arrières en conférant de la vivacité et de la fraîcheur. **Un vin construit sur la finesse et l'élégance dans une logique de puissance contenue.** La matière est là et le vin a un grand avenir. **95-97**



Akihiko Yamamoto  
06/2020

「オー・バイイ 2019」(Haut-Bailly 2019) はやや明るいガーネット。カベルネ・ソーヴィニヨン、メルロ、カベルネ・フラン、プティ・ヴェルド。レッドベリーにダークベリーが混じり、プラム、オー・バイイ特有のミントのタッチがフレッシュ感を与えてる。生き生きした酸、ふわりとした柔らかいタンニン、なめらかに滑るテクスチャー、凝縮しているが、重さはなく、しっかりした骨格。スケールの大きさはとを上回る。塩気を帯びた味わいにうまみが乗り、シームレスなファニッシュ。ゴージャスでエレガント。点。 **98**