



CHÂTEAU  
Phélan Ségur



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Palmarès Millésime 2017

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Wine Spectator

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James Molesworth

Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**89-92**

This has a core of dark plum and cherry paste flavors, with **waves of warm tobacco** and smoldering charcoal checking in on the finish. **Has character and a bit more depth than most of its peers in the vintage.**



Antonio Galloni

### Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**90-93**

The 2017 Phélan Ségur is **powerful**, ... **intense**, but also has more than enough fruit to stand up to the tannins. Dark red/purplish fruit, smoke, incense, charcoal embers and gravel give the wine much of **its distinctive savory/earthy personality**. Time in the glass brings out a more floral, red-toned quality that is **hugely appealing**. **Phélan Ségur has the potential to be one of the dark horses of 2017. Certainly, this is a very strong showing relative to the vintage and where Phélan has been in the recent past.** In 2017, the Grand Vin contains an unusually high amount of Cabernet Sauvignon (65%), much of which was able to hang until early October, with 34% Merlot and 1% Cabernet Franc. Winemaker Fabrice Bacquey opted to reduce exposure to oxygen during fermentation with the goal of maintaining as much freshness in the fruit as possible. Tasted two times.



Neal Martin

### Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**89-91**

The 2017 Phélan-Ségur, was harvested as late as possible, starting on 14 September with the Merlot and starting the Cabernet around 27 September and finished around mid-October. It is matured in 50% new oak. It appears to **show more red fruit on the nose than its Saint-Estèphe peers**, just a little disjointed at first but melding together with time, raspberry and briary scents mixed with dried rose petals. The palate is medium-bodied with grippy tannin, quite foursquare and masculine, needing more flesh to come through on the finish.



Roger Voss

Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**92-94**

The oak is currently quite forward and powerful in this young wine, which needs time for the fruit to come through. But the fruit is there, with **black currant acidity and freshness showing in the background**. Let the wine soften and don't drink before 2024.



Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**92-93**

This is tight and firm with a **linear precision** and dark fruit. Medium to full body. Bright and lightly juicy. Pretty center palate. **A poised and focused young wine.**





Lisa Perrotti Brown

### Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**87-89**

Medium to deep garnet-purple colored, the 2017 Phélan Ségur gives up notes of black plums and fresh blackberries with an earthy undercurrent of damp soil, truffles and mossy bark. Medium-bodied, soft, **plush and with a good core of fruit**, it gives an earthy finish.

## The Wine Cellar Insider



Jeff Leve

Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**90-92**

Ready, **succulent**, dark red fruits and spice are what you find initially. On the palate, the wine has **baby soft tannins, ripe, deep red fruits** and gentle tones of licorice, espresso, spice and earth.

**Jancis Robinson**



Julia Harding

Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**16.5**

Dark black cherry with purple core. Ripe, bright cassis ... Firm and chewy but still **juicy on the long finish...**

**JEB DUNNUCK**

### Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**89-92**

The deep, saturated purple-colored 2017 Phélan Ségur **is a classic, well-made wine in the vintage** that has **notable depth and density** as well as textbook Saint-Estèphe notes of ripe black fruits, leafy herbs/tobacco, and loamy earth. It shows the fresher, cooler-climate style of the vintage yet is far from austere and has loads to love.



Jane Anson

### Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**93**

New owner, Philippe Van de Vyvere as of 2017. This is a wine that settles into the glass. It has **confident, firm and rich fruit**, good aromatics and structured tannins that have been **well extracted**. Bristling, young and a clear life ahead of it. **The tannins vibrate** through the palate but are very much at the front of the mouth right now, raring to go. **Exceptionally good for the vintage**. Retasted several times.



## Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**91-93**

From a 70 hectare vineyard, planted at an impressive 10,000 vines per hectare, comes this Cabernet dominated cuvee. The fruit was picked from September 14th through to October 4th, and the chosen blend is 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, with 34% Merlot and a tiny 1% contribution from the Cabernet Franc. The overall yield was 45 hl/ha, which fits with the absence of frost in this appellation.

It has a dark, robust, richly desiccated fruit character on the nose. The palate is full, grippy and fresh, with a pile of **bright tannin** beneath it all. **A solidly composed style**, a very **serious contender**, with toasted fruit, praline, cigar and tobacco oak, all sitting on a **bed of ripe and velvety tannins**. **A rich and imposing style**, typical of St Estèphe, **with good potential**.



Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**16-17**

Après avoir produit un 2016 de haut vol, le Château propose un **2017 lui aussi réussi**. Un vin **très tramé**, doté d'un très **beau muscle** en bouche, **longiligne** et **sapide en finale**.



Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**16.5**

Robe intense, finesse aromatique et pureté du fruit évidente, texture élégante. **Parfaite expression du potentiel et de la classe de ce cru.**





### Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**90-92**

Boisé réglisse, des notes fumées. **Juteux, de la puissance** avec **une frame tannique importante**. Quelques touches de poivron en finale. **Un Phélan Ségur sur la puissance.**

SCHWEIZERISCHE  
**WEINZEITUNG**

*Aus Liebe zum Wein. Seit 123 Jahren.*

## Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

17

**Feines bouquet**, schwarzwalder kirsch, zart Weichsel, kakao. **Gute dichte**, deutliche adstringenz, **feine saure**, rotbeerige frucht, brombeeren, **feine kirschnote im finish**.

## Beckustator



Yves Beck

Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**92-93**

Pourpre violacé. Bouquet bien typé avec des notes de cèdre et de graphite. **Beaucoup de fraîcheur au nez. Attaque friande.** En bouche le vin a une **touche crémeuse**, ce qui le rend compact. **Les tannins sont denses, bien intégrés** et en synthèse avec la structure. **Belle matière.** Finale fruitée et persistante. Un vin qui a besoin de temps.

**Christer Byklum**

CHRISTER BYKLUM

VINKOMMANDØREN 

Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**92-94**

Ruby. Blackberries, anise, fruity, **some spices, elegant nose**, detailed. Floral. **Fresh acidity, ripe tannins, fruity, juicy**, dark berries, anise, spices, liquorice, **long**.



Panos Kakaviatos

## Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**90-92**

Château Phélan Ségur– Rich fruit, here. Not quite as long on the finish as Château de Pez, tasted just before, and it seems to lack just a bit of focus. But in tasting over time, I do like its power and rigor : very “Saint Estèphe”.

## **Bolomey Blog**

Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**18.5 +**

Robert Whitley

Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

**92**

**Concentrated** and layered, dark fruits, **good structure** and **balance**.

Château Phélan Ségur 2017 :

91

**Rich and creamy**, coating the palate with dark broody fruit and spice. There's no mistaking the natural abundance of tannin here but **they are resolved and fine grained**: this will go the long haul. Note the unusually high proportion of Cabernet Sauvignon in this year's blend at 65%.



# Liv-ex



List in order of preference your top five value wines from 2017 (value wines are wines with an expected release price of less than £500 per case)

Liv-ex members' top 10 value wines of Bordeaux 2017	
1.	Grand Puy Lacoste
2.	Langoa Barton
3.	Brane Cantenac
4.	Phelan Segur
5.	Talbot
6.	Reserve de la Comtesse
7.	Capbern
8.	Gloria
9.	Ormes Pez
10.	Haut Batailley

The merchants' favourite ten wines expected to be released at under £500 per case were ranked as above. Grand Puy Lacoste took the top spot for the eighth year in a row. In second place was Langoa Barton. James Suckling described the wine as "serious for the vintage" and awarded it 93-94 points.