



# CHATEAU DE FERRAND 2023

ALEXANDRE MA

"I often detect the delicate berry fragrances of Château de Ferrand, but I have never encountered such vivid floral notes before. As I swirl the glass, violet blossoms slowly emerge from the limestone, eluding grasp the more eagerly they are sought. Once I set down the glass, they seem to wink at me, tempting me to lift the glass again and again. The sweet entry and the sophisticated salty finish cleverly echo each other, perfectly mirroring the "Sucré-Salé" concept found in French cuisine. The 2023 vintage of Château de Ferrand fully meets all my expectations, with its pearl powder-like tannins sparking endless musings. **It is a classic creation that anyone who loves Bordeaux and understands Saint-Émilion must not miss.**"

94-96/100 Alexandre Ma (Mai 2024)

JAMES SUCKLING.COM

"Attractive depth of fruit with blackberry and black olive, as well as crushed stone. Full-bodied with chewy and polished tannins that are velvety but muscular. 3.52 pH gives it verve. Saltiness comes from the cabernet franc planted on limestone soils." **94-95/100**

James Suckling (Avril 2024)

Yves Beck

"Le bouquet de Château de Ferrand affiche de la profondeur, de la subtilité au travers des nombreuses facettes qu'il révèle. De fines nuances épiceées ouvrent la voie à des notes de mûres et de myrtilles. Le vin se profile de manière linéaire et élégante dès l'attaque. Il est doté de tannins charnus et veloutés qui offrent une assise idéale, tandis que l'acidité, structurante, confère de la fraîcheur. **Tout est très détaillé dans ce vin** et, surtout, tout est parfaitement en place. **Quel excellent niveau de précision.**" **95-96/100**

Yves Beck (Avril 2024)

Decanter

"Aromas of ripe blackberry fruit, damson and wet stone precede an almost velvet smooth attack and vinous mid palate, marked by ripe red fruit, as expressed with tannic finesse: 'We extracted less this year when compared to prior vintages, less pumping over,' remarked director Gonzague de Lambert. Long, supple finish marked by limestone freshness. **One of the best Ferrands I recall trying from barrel**, and it rivaling the excellent 2020. Tasted twice with similar results."

94/100 Panos Kakaviatos (Mai 2024)

"**Un vin vif, élégant, généreux**, une belle longueur sur le fruit, la fraîcheur et les épices. Une finale saline. **Superbe !**".

**96-97/100** Vladimir Kauffmann (Mai 2024)

## JANE ANSON INSIDE BORDEAUX

**"One of the St Emilion classifieds that is always worth checking in** with, benefitting from increasingly impressive winemaking and consistency. Delivers the spiced intensity of the fruits of the vintage combined with floral aromatics, pumice stone, bitter chocolate, mint leaf and slate."

**93/100** Jane Anson (Avril 2024)



**"Un nez enivrant qui vous transporte dans une prairie fleurie**, des fruits tendres. Des notes calcaires apportent élégance et finesse avant une pointe de réglisse et de menthol. La puissance s'exprime en bouche avec de petits fruits rouges. Très belle texture enveloppante, telle la caresse d'une soie brossée. Très jolie trame acide qui s'étire longuement et se retrouve dans une finale persistante à la texture finement granuleuse."

**93-96/100** Ella Lister (Mai 2024)



**94-95/100** Bernard Burtschy (Mai 2024)

## Forbes

"A 65/35 blend of Merlot/Cabernet Franc. Clean and bright aromas of roses, violets, dark plums and blueberries. A chewy but sleek mid palate with textured tannins. Slight well integrated tannic nip at the finish. Beautifully prolonged length and vibrant acidity with freshness partially derived from the edge of the Saint-Émilion limestone plateau. As winemaker Gonzague de Lambert said, "*The density of the Cabernet Franc adds freshness, elegance, vibrancy.*" Bring on the grilled steak; for vegetarians, pair with a tajine with summer vegetables. Note the 2024 vintage will be certified organic."

**97/100** Tom Mullen (Mai 2024)

## tastingbook

"2023, the third vintage in ecologic conversion resulted in a dark purple coloured wine with violet hue and almost black core. Refined nose with ripe fruit, juicy blackberries, ripe blackcurrants, fragrant Mara de Bois, hints of vanilla cardamon and cloves in the background, fine floral hints. On the palate great purity and precision, ripe and finely grained tannins, refined fruit quoting the nose, subtle oak and discreet toasting. The limestone influence brings excellent structure and exiting tension with very convincing length. **A wine with promising potential!**"

**95/100** Markus del Monego (Mai 2024)

# Terre de Vins

93-94/100 Mathieu Doumenge (Mai 2024)

## WINEDOCTOR

"A really charming, bright and well-defined fruit profile on the nose of the 2023 from Château de Ferrand, with fresh and ripe raspberry and red cherry, swirled with softening layers of vanilla, toast and dark chocolate. This is followed by a quite delicious style on the palate, harmonious and pure, with a sinewy and mouth-watering substance, balanced by an understated frame of sappy and well-knit tannins, leading to a modestly gripped finish. Fresh and perfumed, with an elegant poise but plenty of structure and the fresh acidity of the vintage, this is a restrained style which should evolve well". **92-94/100** Chris Kissack (Mai 2024)

## drinks business

**"This seems to get better each year.** Plump and plush, presenting a very pixilated and detailed image of each of the berry fruits it puts of display, like a fine still life painting from a Dutch master! A bouquet of violets too, painted with the same detail. There's a lovely 'Cabernet Franc on calcaire' leafiness to this and one knows very much where one is from the identity of the tannins. I like that very much. Chewy and, of course, sapid and fresh on the finish. **One almost senses the altitude of the terroir in the freshness and personality of the wine".** **92-94/100** Colin Hay (Mai 2024)

# Vinum

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"Ungemein floral und mit klarer Frucht, Brombeere, Cassis, kalkige Mineralik; leichtfüßig am Gaumen, cremige Textur, delikate, knackige Frucht, seidiges Tannin, wirkt wie aus dem Stein gemeisselt, viel Spannung, rotfruchtiger Abgang, würziges Finale.

**Ein facettenreicher Saint-Émilion, mit Frische, Rasse und Finesse."**

**94/100** Adrian Van Velsen (Mai 2024)

## bettane + desseauve

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BORDEAUX EN PRIMEUR 2023  
must-have

"Registre de la finesse et de la fraîcheur du début à la fin de bouche, trame tannique noble et retour poivré bien en place. **L'amateur ne sera pas déçu."**

**92-93/100** (Mai 2024)

## JEB DUNNUCK

"The 2023 Château De Ferrand checks in as 65% Merlot and 35% Cabernet Franc, resting in 35% new French oak. Deep purple-hued, it offers an impressive nose of ripe black and blue fruits interwoven with subtle notes of iron, tobacco, tapenade, and spicy wood, with just a kiss of background floral and violet nuances. Beautifully balanced, medium to full-bodied, and concentrated, yet still elegant and balanced, with notable tannic grip, it's going to benefit from just a few years of bottle age. **It's another outstanding 2023 in the making."**

**91-94/100** Jeb Dunnuck (Mai 2024)

**"Belle montée en puissance de cette propriété de Saint-Hippolyte.** Ce tandem merlot (65%) et cabernet franc (35%) s'illustre avec fraîcheur et un allant certain. Rien d'ostentatoire, au contraire, il se révèle en finesse et retenue aromatique (un bouquet floral et de fruits frais). Une matière de concentration modérée qui devrait se montrer séduisante dans la jeunesse."

**91-93/100** Alexis Goujard (Mai 2024)

Jancis  
Robinson **16/20** James Lawther (Mai 2024)

JEAN-MARC QUARIN

**92/100** Jean-Marc Quarin (Avril 2024)

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"Fruits rouges, cerise, bouche tendue, fraîche, poivrée, épicee, bonne longueur, amerfin en finale." **15/20** (Mai 2024)

## THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER

"It is easy to find the chocolate-topped, crisp black cherries, flowers, licorice, espresso, and spice in the nose. On the palate, the wine is forward, supple, and vibrant. There is lift, and energy in the mouth, with touches of salty citrus, sweet, plums, cherries, and chocolate from the medium-bodied, mid-palate, through to the energetic, bright, red berry finish."

**91-93/100** Jeff Leve (Mai 2024)

## vinous

"The 2023 Château de Ferrand has a succinct bouquet, understated at first pour, but it opens nicely in the glass with wild strawberry, raspberry and light floral scents. A subtle estuarine element lurks underneath. The palate is medium-bodied with crunchy red fruit and fine grip, granular in texture with a twist of sour cherry on the finish that just needs a little more persistence. I feel this should gain a bit more corpulence during its barrel-aging."

**90-92/100** Neal Martin (Avril 2024)

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## MUST-HAVE

Pour la cave du parfait amateur

**RIVE DROITE**  
**Château de Ferrand, saint-émilion grand cru**  
Registre de la finesse et de la fraîcheur du début à la fin de bouche, trame tannique noble et retour poivré bien en place. L'amateur ne sera pas déçu.  
92-93 / 100

**+ GRAVES**  
Domaine de Chevalier, pessac-léognan blanc  
Admirable tension et parfums très élaborés avec les notes florales de pin et d'azalée, encadrées par le caractère des saveurs de fruits.  
94-95 / 100

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## Saint-Émilion 2023 : les 20 cuvées en primeur préférées de la rédaction

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**Saint-Émilion**  
Note Le Figaro : 93-96/100



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