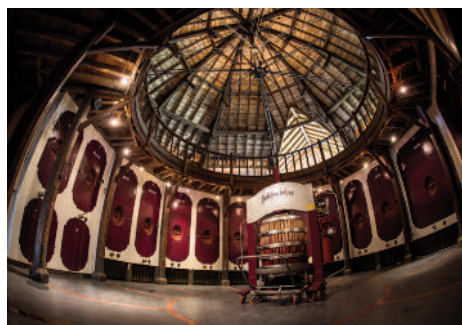


CHATEAU
Bellefont-Belcier

SAINT-EMILION
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Created in the late 18th century, the Bellefont-Belcier estate is perfectly situated on Saint-Emilion's south-facing slopes, neighbouring Château Pavie, Château Larcis-Ducasse and Château Tertre Roteboeuf.

Château Bellefont-Belcier originally belonged to a very powerful Bordeaux family: at the end of the 18th century, the Count Louis-François de Belcier had first founded the vineyard then, at the beginning of the 19th century, he build the Château which he named Bellefont (Belle Fontaine means 'beautiful fountain' and is a reference to the numerous springs hidden on the hillside into which the vines plunge their roots.)

Major restructuring work in the vineyard was undertaken in 1994. Château Bellefont-Belcier was classified in 2006 as Grand Cru Classé.

Peter Kwok acquired the property in 2017.

CHÂTEAU BELLEFONT-BELCIER 2015 - FACTS

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| SURFACE | 13,5 hectares |
| BLEND | 65% Merlot - 20 % Cabernet Franc - 15% Cabernet Sauvignon |
| SOILS | Limestone plateau, south-facing clay-limestone slopes and plots at the foot of the slopes |
| HARVEST DATES | October 1st to October 15th |
| VINIFICATION | Parcel Management, traditional farming, natural grassing, respect of environmental balance. Plot by plot in temperature-controlled wooden and concrete vats. Gentle extraction with careful attention to temperature thresholds. |
| AGEING | 80% new barrels - 20% barrels 1-wine |
| PRODUCTION | 50 000 bottles |

TASTING

Château Bellefont-Belcier 2015 has a sweet, ripe black cherry and boysenberry nose. The palate is dense and balanced with ultra-fine tannins, well-judged acidity and beautiful length. Bold, powerful and intense, with plenty of black cherry, mocha, smoke, licorice nuances.

Finish harmonious and sensual, a touch of spice lingering on the aftertaste.



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JAMES SUCKLING - 95

« Love the nose of blackberries, black truffles, oyster shell and wet earth. Full-bodied, layered and fantastic. Firm and silky tannins and a juicy finish. Gorgeous complexity. Drink in 2020.

» *James Suckling February 2018*

VINOUS - 93

« Powerful, dense and explosive, with notable thrust to the red cherry, plum, leather and licorice flavors, the dramatic, full-throttle 2015 Bellefont-Belcier is every bit as impressive as it was from barrel. Dark red cherry, mocha, new leather and spice build into the racy, voluptuous finish.

The tannins need time to soften, but all the elements are in the right place. In a word: terrific. »

Antonio Galloni February 2018

ROBERTPARKER.COM - 90

« The 2015 Bellefont Belcier is a blend of 68% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc and 12% Cabernet Sauvignon aged for 20 months in 80% new and 20% one-year-old barrels. Medium to deep garnet-purple in color, it has lovely cassis, red currant and black raspberries scents with touches of underbrush, pencil lead and dried herbs. The medium to full-bodied palate is firm, chewy and rich with good expression and a long earthy finish.»

Lisa Perotti-Brown February 2018

WINE SPECTATOR - 92

« This sports an ample core of gushy blackberry and raspberry pâte de fruit flavors, lined with black licorice details and carried by a lively bramble note. A strong apple wood edge emerges on the finish, melding into the fruit. Displays good cut and drive.»

James Molesworth March 2018

JEB DUNNUCK - 96

« I was blown away by the 2015 Château Bellefont Belcier and this knockout red is a blend of 72% Merlot, 17% Cabernet Franc and the balance Cabernet Sauvignon that was brought up in 80% new barrel. This estate covers 13,5 hectares of prime real estate, sitting just beside Larcis-Ducasse on the plateau and south-facing hillside of the Côte Pavie. Loads of blackcurrants, black cherries, truffle, licorice and hints of chocolate all emerge from this opulent, full-bodied, inky-colored red that has boatloads of sweet tannin, a rich, deep mid-palate, and a great, great finish.»

Jeb Dunnuck November 2017

THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER - JEFF LEVE - 93

“The blend of flowers and truffle on the nose gets you going. The fruit is ripe, sweet, round and soft. There is freshness, elegance and loads of ripe juicy, fresh fruits from start to finish. This is a good wine, giving the equally strong 2016 a run for the money. However, things should get even better here, as the winery was recently sold to Peter Kwok, who already owns numerous, Right Bank vineyards. Stay tuned !

Jeff Leve May 2018

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