



Château La Prade

FRANCS CÔTES DE BORDEAUX

2016

« Nez plus floral que Puygueraud avec une touche violette et un côté moins terrien. Très belles notes de pivoine, de rose, d'iris. La bouche est droite, tendue, linéaire grâce au calcaire du sol. Une finale aérienne, une délicatesse assumée. Pour 2024/2030 avec un grand plaisir. »

Score : 92/100

Yohan Castaing, Anthocyanes, Février 2019

“The medium to deep garnet-purple colored 2016 La Prade bursts boldly from the glass with notions of chocolate-covered cherries, blueberry compote and plum preserves with suggestions of eucalyptus, espresso, licorice and cedar chest plus a waft of violets. Full-bodied, rich and plushly textured, the decadent black fruit and spicy layers deliver a very long, impactful finish. This is so tempting to drink right now, but it will age beautifully.”

Score: 92+/100

Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Wine Advocate, Novembre 2018

“The 2016 La Prade hits the palate with serious depth and intensity. A rush of inky blue/purplish fruit, spice, menthol, crème de cassis, and bittersweet chocolate melds together in this unctuous, super-expressive wine. Creamy, silky tannins enrobe this decidedly rich, flamboyant Côtes de Bordeaux. The 2016 finishes with terrific weight and substance. All of the elements are nicely fused together. Tasted three times.”

Score : 91/100

Antonio Galloni, Vinous, Janvier 2019

“This is integrated and lightly chewy with dark berries and light chocolate and some hazelnuts. Medium body. Fresh finish. A blend of 88 per cent merlot and 12 per cent cabernet franc. Drink now.”

Score: 90/100

James Suckling, jameessuckling.com, Février 2019

“Focused black cherry and black currant fruit flavors meld nicely with a backdrop of singed vanilla and tobacco notes in this red. A fleshy edge keeps the finish going nicely. Drink now through 2023.”

James Molesworth, Wine Spectator, Février 2019

Score : 89/100

« La robe est assez profonde de couleur sanguine. L'olfaction est ouverte avec des arômes de cerises, de fines épices, et des notes de violettes et de fruits plus noirs. L'attaque est veloutée, le milieu de bouche est délicatement charnu, bien construit, assez rond et fruité. La finale d'un bon maintien (tannins un peu plus fermes) est allongée, fraîche, et expressive (très fruitée). »

Score : 15,5/20

Daniel Seriot, Journal d'un passionné de la rive droite, Janvier 2019

Primeurs

“Very fine and polished for the appellation with dark berries, minerals and spices. Medium body and a fresh finish.”

Score: 91-92/100

James Suckling, jameessuckling.com, Avril 2017

“The vibrant plum and blueberry fruit is rounded and generous in feel, with light spice and licorice notes on the back end. This will be a fun drink in the short term while you wait for the big boys to mature.”

Score: 89-92/100

James Molesworth, Wine Spectator, Avril 2017

“Blueberry jam, crème de cassis, spice, licorice and bittersweet chocolate notes give the 2016 La Prade much of its sweet, unctuous personality. The ripeness and intense color of this late-ripening vintage come thorough in the wine's overall texture, feel and intensity. Tasted next to Puygueraud, Nicolas Thienpont's other Côtes de Bordeaux, La Prade has more plushness and also a slightly more overt, flamboyant expression of fruit. Tasted three times.”

Score: 88-91/100

Antonio Galloni, Vinous, Avril 2017

“Darker in hue than usual, the wine offers dark earthy, red fruits, soft and polished tannins with fresh, sweet, juicy fruits that offer volume, freshness and pleasure. The blend comes from 88% Merlot and 12% Cabernet Franc. This is a step up for one of the best value wines in Bordeaux.”

Score: 90/100

Jeff Leve, The Wine Cellar Insider, Avril 2017

“Nicolas Thienpont is doing interesting things with this estate. Certainly, this is intense and has a beautiful depth of expression - excellent quality for a smaller appellation. It has a wonderfully silky quality to the tannins that bodes extremely well for ageing, and flavours of liquorice root, bilberry, almost cassis. A definite buy for me.”

Score: 92/100

Jane Anson, Decanter, Avril 2017

« Coloré, belle maturité de fruit, charnu et profond, bonne longueur et potentiel sérieux grâce à un tannin mûr, frais et élégant. »

Score: 90/100

Bettane et Desseauve, Avril 2017

“Lovely saturated colour; but healthy edge; harmonious aromatics; cherry; nice and clean; certain minerality; lovely purity on the palate; really balanced and moreish; tannins very subtle as is the freshness; nicely balanced; certain minerality again; has texture but not at all forced; almost Burgundian quality to the extraction etc. Good finish. Nice twist on the end. Good length too.”

Score: 90-92/100

Jeremy Williams, Wine, words and videotape, Avril 2017

« Le nez ouvert évoque des parfums floraux (violette dominante), des arômes de cerises, de léger cassis et de fines épices. L'attaque est souple, veloutée, et délicatement charnue, le centre est plus dense et fruité. La finale d'une bonne allonge, tenue par des tannins enrobés, est fraîche et aromatique. »

Score: 90-92/100

Daniel Seriot, Journal d'un passionné de la rive droite, Avril 2017

« Robe sombre. Belle densité aromatique. Bouche à la trame serrée aux notes de cacao et d'épices. Il prend appui sur une assise tannique confortable. Finale sur les fruits noirs qui offre de la complexité. »

Score : 93/100

Jacques Perrin, Vinifera, Avril 2017