



Château
Beau-Séjour
Bécot

2022

VINOUS – Janvier 2025 / 100

By Antonio GALLONI

The 2022 Beau-Séjour Bécot is a total stunner. What a wine ! The 2022 was magnificent en primeur, and it is all that from bottle. The aromatics alone are mesmerizing. Crushed rose petal, mint, blood orange, new leather and cedar meld into a core of pliant red-toned fruit. More than anything else, I am so impressed with the wine's precision and finesse. I have never tasted a Beau-Séjour Bécot like this.



VINOUS – Mai 2023 / 98-100

By Antonio GALLONI

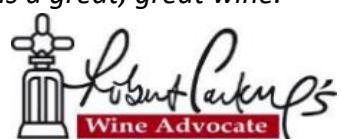
The 2022 Beau-Séjour Bécot has a bite more Cabernet Franc than most years which comes through immediately in the wine's aromatic profile. Dark, rich and expressive, the 2022 is seriously impressive. Crushed flowers, herbs, mint, blood orange and red-toned fruit all build into a sumptuous, majestic finish that just explodes on the back end. The 2022 is one of the very finest editions of Beau-Séjour Bécot I can remember tasting. It is a great; great wine.



WINE ADVOCATE – Mars 2025 / 97

By William KELLEY

The 2022 Beau-Séjour Bécot has turned out brilliantly in bottle. Wafting from the glass with a complex bouquet of sweet wild berries mingled with rose petals, orange zest, violets, gentian and espresso roast, it's full-bodied, supple and suave, with a deep core of cool, layered fruit, beautifully vibrant flavors and polished structuring tannins, concluding with a saline finish. As I wrote when I tasted it from barrel, this is a Saint-Émilion of breathtaking perfume and harmony that will be worth a special effort to seek out.



WINE ADVOCATE – Avril 2023 / 96-98

By William KELLEY

With the 2022 Beau-Séjour Bécot, this estate has taken another step up the ranks in Saint-Émilion, producing a wine of breathtaking perfume and harmony that will be worth a special effort to seek out. Wafting from the glass with aromas of wild berries, violets, lilac, raw cocoa and forest floor, it's medium to full-bodied, seamless and complete, with an ample and



enveloping core of weightless fruit, beautifully powdery tannins and a long, saline, resonant finish. Recently planted massale selection Cabernet Franc is now producing meaningful yields at this address, so this cépage now represents 22% of the blend, complemented by 2% Cabernet Sauvignon and the balance Merlot. The team harvested only in the mornings, picking Merlot from 5-18 September and Cabernet from 13-23 September, sub-block by sub-block.

The WINE CELLAR INSIDER - Janvier 2025 / **100**

By Jeff LEVE

I loved this from the barrel, and I am even happier to report that it is even better, now that it is bottled! The perfume is ethereal, with its bouquet of flowers, red, black, and blue fruits, licorice, and spice. On the palate, this is where the wine truly shines. Rich, plush, incredibly dense, sensuous, opulent, and elegant, the wine feels weightless, making it effortless to drink. The purity in the fruit, paired with its cashmere tannins, seamless finish, and layers of fruit, topped by salty, crushed stones, hits the 60-second mark and keeps on going. The wine blends 76% Merlot, 22% Cabernet Franc and 2% Cabernet Sauvignon. Make no mistake, this is the best wine ever produced at Beau-Sejour Becot, as well as the best deal in Bordeaux today for a 100 points.

The WINE CELLAR INSIDER - Mai 2023 / **98-100**

By Jeff LEVE

The bouquet of red and purple flowers stands out in the nose before you get to the sweet, red, black and blue fruits, licorice and spice. On the palate the wine is incredibly dense, sensuous, opulent and deep. Yet, with all the concentration, the wine is weightless, and effortless to drink. On the mid-palate, the waves of fruits keep coming as they coat your palate. The purity in the fruit, the energy, length, balance, and complexity is at a new level here. The seamless finish, with its ocean of berries, topped by a salty, crushed stones hits the 60 second mark. The best part of the experience is the velvet-drenched-texture that needs to be experienced. The wine blends 76% Merlot, 22% Cabernet Franc and 2% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14.5%, ABV, 3.55 pH. The harvest took place, September 5 - September 26. Yields were 33 hectoliters per hectare. Make no mistake, this is the best wine ever produced at Beau-Sejour Becot.

BECKUSTATOR-YVES BECK.WINE – Novembre 2024 / **96**

By Yves BECK

Le ratio entre charme et fraîcheur est à son comble ; les deux éléments sont côté à côté sans qu'aucun ne déclasse l'autre. Les nuances d'eucalyptus mêlées à des notes de baies noires, de réglisse et de réglisse sont invitantes et ouvrent la voie à un vin offrant du charme et de la puissance. Un vin salivant et persistant.

Yves Beck

BECKUSTATOR-YVES BECK.WINE – Mai 2023 / **97-98**

By Yves BECK

Beaucoup de précision, de caractère dans le bouquet de BSB ! La part de Cabernet Franc est plus importante qu'à l'accoutumée. Ainsi, le ratio entre maturité et fraîcheur penche vers plus d'énergie, de détails, avec pour indice des notes de pivoines et des nuances crayeuses. Bien

Yves Beck

entendu d'agréables parfums de baies noires viennent compléter cet ensemble. En bouche le vin se distingue également par sa précision et sa définition. Les tannins apparaissent en milieu de bouche tandis que l'attaque est légèrement saline. Le vin cumule ampleur et tempérament. Il affiche une très belle finesse de grains de tannins. Ces derniers confèrent une touche énergétique à la fin de bouche, communément avec la structure acide. Un Beau-Séjour Bécot qui ne fait que souligner la réjouissante évolution de ce cru vers des sphères de finesse, de subtilité, de fraîcheur et de sapidité ! Sans oublier la longévité, car elle est donnée. Cela appelle néanmoins une interrogation : saura-t-on attendre ? J'émets un doute, mais dans cette logique il s'agit de simplement acquérir plusieurs caisses (phrase non-sponsorisée !). Un vin identitaire qui affiche clairement son lieu, son authenticité !

JEB DUNNUCK – Février 2025 / 98

By Jeb Dunnuck

Tasted on multiple occasions, the 2022 Château Beau-Séjour Bécot is flat-out sensational, as well as the finest wine I've tasted from this château. Powerful aromatics of red, blue, and black fruits as well as crushed stone and violets define the aromatics, and it's full-bodied, incredibly concentrated, has integrated acidity, and ultra-fine tannins. Based on 76% Merlot, 22% Cabernet Franc, and the rest Cabernet Sauvignon, this heavenly Saint-Emilion will benefit from just 3-5 years of bottle age and have 30 years or more of overall longevity. Back up the truck.

JEB DUNNUCK

JEB DUNNUCK – Mai 2023 / 95-97+

By Jeb Dunnuck

Tasted on multiple occasions, the 2022 Château Beau-Séjour Bécot always impressed, and I think it's clearly one of the finest vintages for this château. Including more Cabernet Franc than usual and a blend of 76% Merlot, 22% Cabernet Franc, and 2% Cabernet Sauvignon, its ruby/purple hue is followed by a pure, ultra-fine, seamless Saint-Emilion with a wonderful core of black raspberry fruits supported by beautifully complex notes of chalky minerality, flowery incense, tobacco, and graphite. Medium to full bodied, with beautiful tannins and a great finish, this is never the most massive or concentrated wine in a vintage, yet it shines for its incredible sense of elegance, finesse, and complexity. The élevage here will span 18 months in 55% new French oak, and this hit 14.5% natural alcohol with a pH of 3.55. It will drink well for 30+ years.

JEB DUNNUCK

JEAN MARC QUARIN – Février 2025/ 18/20

By JM Quarin

Couleur rouge sombre, intense. Nez particulièrement aromatique, fin, subtil, fruité et floral (violette). Minutieux en entrée de bouche, très savoureux au milieu, ce vin charnu glisse sur le palais. Il évolue en douceur, avec beaucoup de goût sur une longue finale délicate. C'est très bon.

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JEAN MARC QUARIN – Mai 2023 / 18/20**By JM Quarin**

Couleur rouge sombre et pourpre. Nez intense, fin, fruité, pur, subtil et suave. Minutieux en entrée de bouche, très aromatique au milieu, avec de la classe dans le toucher et un style raffiné cette année, le vin grandit en finale. Il s'achève long, suave, sur un grain fin. Assemblage : 73 % merlot, 22 % cabernet franc versus 13 en moyenne, 2 % cabernet sauvignon.

**The Wine Independent – Mai 2023 / 95-97****By Lisa Perrotti – Brown**

A blend of 76% Merlot, 22% Cabernet Franc, and 2% Cabernet Sauvignon, the 2022 Beau-Sejour Becot has more Cabernet Franc than any previous vintage. The pH is 3.55 pH and it has a deep purple-black color. Notions of blackcurrant jelly, blackberry pie, and warm plums jump from the glass, followed by suggestions of cedar chest, Sichuan pepper, and garrigue. The medium to full-bodied palate is chock-full of juicy black fruit flavors, with bright acidity and ripe, rounded tannins, finishing long and earthy.

**TERRE DE VINS – Mai 2023 / 97-98****By Mathieu DOUMENGE**

Se dotant d'une petite part supplémentaire de Cabernet Franc cette année (22%), « BS B » gagne encore en précision et en distinction, affirmant son profil juteux et racé, signé par le plateau calcaire. Une très belle définition pleine d'éclat, marquée par une dentelle de tanins fardés : le jus plein et séveux s'étire en longueur, il est salivant d'un bout à l'autre, conclu par de fins amers zestés, magnifique ponctuation qui le rend superbe aujourd'hui et passionnant pour les années à venir.

**DECANTER – Mai 2023 / 96****By Georgie Hindle**

Floral notes on the nose. Tangy and sharp, lively and bright straight away, sweet and sour, so energetic and lively with a mineral grip from the fine, firm, grippy tannins. Lovely precision and almost delicate presentation of fruit. You really feel the mineral, salty, tangy aspect of the fruit, nothing feels overworked, all in balance, really quite thrilling and electric. Great purity and focus. Scintillating yet still with a lovely volume and roundness accented by tobacco, clove, liquorice and cinnamon touches. Really well worked and fresh - this feels very modern with such control to the fruit, tannins, acidity giving overall depth and complexity. Elegant but confident, taking the best density from clay density and freshness from limestone. A very singular charm with this wine.

**Le POINT – Mai 2023 / 18.5****By Olivier BOMPAS**

Juliette Bécot, propriétaire : « Dans le 2022, il y a davantage de Cabernet Franc car nos parcelles de sélection massale sont arrivées en production. Ce sont les 100 mm de pluie de Juin qui ont fait le millésime. Les calcaires et les argiles ont un effet « tampon » puis restituent l'eau, c'est ce qui a donné à la plante la force de résister à la chaleur. Cela dit, on a fait un gros travail de préparation de la vigne, c'est la condition pour qu'elle résiste. Aujourd'hui, on a une lecture très précise des sols, ce qui ne change rien au fait que la décision finale se prend sur la dégustation des baies. On a démarré les vendanges le 5 Septembre avec les merlots, on a pris



du temps, beaucoup de demi-journées, on a attaqué les Cabernets Francs le 13 septembre et terminé le 23 ». Eclat de fruit, mûre, myrtille, note florale élégante, bouche moelleuse, tanins très fins, veloutés, fraîcheur saline, bouche tapissante, finale crayeuse, juteuse, très bel équilibre.

THE DRINK BUSINESS – Mai 2023 / 95-97+

By Colin HAY

St Emilion; 76% Merlot; 22% Cabernet Franc; 2% Cabernet Sauvignon; a final yield of 33 hl/ha; pH 3.55; 14.5% alcohol; aged in barrel, foudres and amphorae; no green harvest; use of cover crops and a reduction in the height of the canopy for the first time here during the growing season; tasted at the property). The Cabernet France is elevated in the final blend (with Merlot planted at 80% in the vineyard). This has a very dark berry and stone fruit – wild blueberries, brambles, mulberries, damsons. I love the Cabernet Franc freshness, with that combination of wild green herbality and redcurrant leafiness that brings freshness – or, in fact, underscores it. There's lots of fresh mint too. The cassis is (even) more present on the palate, though there are bunches of plump brambles and mulberries too. Sinuous, luminous, the freshness comes in ripples when the grip of the calcaire tannins break up the outer surface of the chiselled structure. So clear and translucent. Sleek in its style, very refined and with lots of limestone terroir character, this is all about precision. At least on a qualitative par with the very fine 2020.

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VINUM – Juin 2023 / 17.5

By Barbara SCHROEDER

Knackig und saftig, gut ausbalanciert, Tannin mit herrlichem Schliff, gute, fruchtige Länge : Der zunehmende Anteil an Cabernet Franc sorgt für erfreuliche Frische.

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