

CHÂTEAU SOUTARD 2021
Saint Emilion grand cru classé

Notes

91 pts Falstaff

Deep ruby with purple reflections at the rim. Delicate nougat, dark wild berries, a hint of liquorice, underpinned with noble wood spices. Medium-bodied, red cherry fruit, fine tannins, fresh, good structure, light salty note on the finish; versatile. Tasted: May 2022

93 pts Jeff Leve, The Wine Cellar Insider

Showing a nice depth of color, the wine is soft, round, polished, rich and fruity, with silky tannins and freshness from start to finish. The creamy finish leaves you with a touch of spice in the endnote. The wine is a blend of 70% Merlot, 18% Cabernet Franc, 7% Cabernet Sauvignon and 3% Malbec. Drink from 2024-2040. 92-94 Tasted: May 2022

91-93/100 Adrian van Velsen - vvWine.ch

Expressiv, leicht rauchig, Süssholz, rote Beerenfrucht, auch etwas Tabak und harzige Noten, komplex. Im Gaumen fruchtbetont, anfangs fast harmlos, packt dann zu, zeigt eine gute Struktur und viel Balance, saftig und frisch, mit würzigem Finale hallt der Wein lange auf rote Beeren nach. Sehr gelungen und mit viel Finesse. 2025-2040 (Verkostet "En Primeur" im April 2022. UGCB) Tasted: Apr 2022

94-95/100 VertdeVin

The nose is elegant, delicate, nicely fresh and reveals a nice finesse in its relative concentration as well as depth. There are notes of fresh/sparkling blackcurrant, graphite, raspberry and slightly cherry combined with hints of lily, toast/toasted bread and discreet pepper. The palate is nicely fresh, elegant, delicate and offers a nice definition, concentration, precision, racy power, fine grain, thoroughness, nice volume, nice sapidity, nice complexity, tension, a touch of fresh flowers, a fine crispness, some density and a nice stretch. A nice complexity in the maturity of the fruit. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fresh/overripe blackcurrant, blackberry and more slightly raspberry combined with touches of bright red berries, toast, lily/lilac, a subtle hint of vanilla as well as a discreet hint of saltiness and gunflint/graphite. Nice persistence. Very discreet hint of pepper and fresh sap/savory. The tannins are elegant, delicate and sapid. A nice sapidity! Tasted: Apr 2022

Bettane & Desseauve (2022): 93 / 100

Decanter (2022): 90 / 100

Dark heady nose, rich blackcurrant tones. Black cherry and blackcurrant also on the palate, alongside sweet exotic spices and smoked earth. It's lightly framed with a crushed stone element and soft salinity that expands around the mouth. The flavours are carefully presented with a balanced structure. Nicely concentrated, refined and enjoyable.

JM Quarin (2022) 91 / 100

Couleur sombre et profonde. Nez très aromatique, au fruité pur, mûr, subtil et légèrement vanillé. Délicat en entrée de bouche, très savoureux au milieu, avec un corps fondant et aucune vivacité pour un vignoble exposé au nord, le vin évolue parfumé, vers une finale savoureuse, à la jolie construction aromatique. A noter que pour l'instant, le vin de presse n'est pas dans l'assemblage, ce qui pourrait lui donner une présence supplémentaire dans la persistance.

James Suckling (2022) 91 - 92 / 100

A chewy and rather tannic red with blackberries and wet earth. Some saltiness. Medium body. Juicy finish.

Jeff Leve (2022) 92 - 94 / 100

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Markus del Monego (2022) 93 / 100

Dark purple colour with violet hue and black core. Aromatic nose with ripe black stone fruit and hints of blackberries, dark chocolate and a whiff of coffee. On the palate well structured with rather full-bodied character, firm yet ripe tannins, juicy fruit and very good length.

Parker (2022) 91 - 93 / 100

The 2021 Soutard has turned out very well indeed, showing the results of vineyard restructuring and additional precision in picking dates, parcel by parcel. Unfurling in the glass with notes of dark berry fruit, sweet spices and loamy soil, it's medium to full-bodied, layered and nicely concentrated, with beautifully refined tannins, succulent acids and a seamless profile.

RVF (2022) 91 - 93 / 100

Les fruits rouges un peu mats percent dans un milieu de bouche carré. Classique et construit, le vin offre des tanins sapides. Il manque à Soutard une partie de ses raisins mais l'harmonie et l'équilibre sont là.

Terre de Vins (2022) 93 - 94 / 100

Un très bel éclat d'emblée, tant sur la robe étincelante qu'au nez, précis et dynamique. Un fruit croquant mûr se présente, bien centré, appétissant. La chair est sapide, juste à point, habillée de tanins de belle précision et portée par une fine acidité qui lui confère de la longueur et un caractère très digeste. Un fort joli 2021.

Vinous (N. Martin) (2022) 89 - 91 / 100

The 2021 Soutard has an elegant bouquet of blackberry, raspberry and violet scents, quite detailed for the vintage, and quite refined. The palate is medium-bodied with sappy red fruit and fine tannins and acidity. Not long, but there is a pretty pastille-like finish. Fine.

Yves Beck (2022) 93 - 94 / 100

Bouquet très précis avec une belle maîtrise de l'élevage en barrique. Nuances invitantes de cassis et d'épices, suivies d'une pointe de graphite. Le Soutard 2021 est savoureux, élégant et soutenu par des tanins légèrement sucrés et une acidité rafraîchissante. 2025-2037



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