

# Connétable Talbot



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The second wine of Talbot presents a nose of crystalline red cherry and raspberry, pomegranate and currant leaf. This light and herby nose is matched by a palate showing a sweet and herby core of redcurrant and red cherry fruits, and a lick of leather, with softly extracted and powdery tannins adding a light touch of grip, before it all fades away very quickly in the finish. A rather light and herby second wine which will make unfussy drinking.

*Chris Kissack / May 2024 - Primeur*



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A strong effort, the 2023 Connetable de Talbot reveals aromas of plums, berries, dark chocolate and pipe tobacco, followed by a medium to full-bodied, fleshy and mouth-filling palate. It will offer a broad and satisfying drinking window.

*William Kelley / April 2024 – Primeur*

*Yves Beck*

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Le Connétable de Talbot veut emmener les gens avec lui... son enthousiasme frais et fruité ne peut que donner envie de le goûter, tellement il a l'air content d'être là ! Juteux et friand en attaque, le vin affiche un peu de densité et est soutenu par des tannins suaves. Il s'en retrouve gourmand et invitant... et je ne pense pas qu'il faille attendre longtemps avant de l'apprécier car il est déjà très tentant maintenant !

*Yves Beck / Avril 2024 - Primeur*



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Dark purple colour with violet hue. Ripe nose with aroma reminiscent of black cherries and prunes, hints of dark berries in the background. A whiff of vanilla and subtle oak. On the palate well structured and balanced with ripe fruit and discreet spiciness, a whiff of toasting in the finish.

*Markus del Monego / May 2024 - Primeur*



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*Bernard Burtschy / Mai 2024 - Primeur*

ALEXANDRE MA

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In the 2023 vintage, Connétable Talbot incorporated 3% Petit Verdot. From my initial impression, this addition not only enhances the aromatic spiciness but also preserves its classic character impeccably. Aromas of coffee caramel accompany luscious blackberries, ripe yet comforting; a rare touch of salinity caresses the palate, offering sophistication and depth. Plush tannin powder blankets the tongue, with a thickness of a mere millimeter, yet without any sense of discordance. Overall, this vintage of Connétable Talbot stands out as exceptionally high in quality in its history.

*Alexandre Ma / May 2024 - Primeur*

The 2023 Connetable Talbot contains some Petit Verdot in the blend, as two plots were deselected from the Grand Vin. It has a well-defined bouquet, predominantly black fruit laced with tobacco and touches of sous-bois. There is a sorbet-like freshness here. The palate is medium-bodied with a crunchy entry. A linear and nicely focused Connetable in the making, this shows a little more depth on the finish compared to recent vintages. Fine.

*Neal Martin / May 2024 - Primeur*

## **ROD SMITH MW**

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Soft fruit and juicy aromas with some sweet herbs. A little violet and briar. In the mouth there is a sweetness of fruit and well-rounded tannic structure with good acidity. This is an excellent second wine which captures the vintage well.

*Rod Smith / May 2024 - Primeur*

## **Decanter**

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While I like the nose of camphor, cherry, cassis and plum, the palate comes across a bit astringent, and I get the sense of lesser Merlots included in the second wine. Let's see how it performs from bottle, but being conservative now.

*Panos Kakaviatos / May 2024 - Primeur*

## **JANE ANSON** INSIDE BORDEAUX

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Grilled campfire and vanilla bean aromatics that make the body of this wine ripe and welcoming without being overly sweet, this has character and Left Bank typicity, a little short but plenty to sink into.

*Jane Anson / April 2024 - Primeur*

## **vwWine**

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Dark fruit, stony undertones, cherries; juicy on the palate, with melting and precision, incredibly balanced, with fine-grained tannins, very good length, saline finish. Makes you want to try the Grand Vin.

*Adrien Vanvelsen / April 2024 - Primeur*

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*Xavier Lacombe / Mai 2024 - Primeur*

## **Le Point**

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Nez discret, bouche ronde, veloutée, très baies noires, gourmand, plein, riche.

*Jacques Dupont / Septembre 2025 - Livrable*

Très authentique, le bouquet de Connétable Talbot révèle des notes de baies noires, de graphite et d'eucalyptus complétées par d'invitantes notes de réglisse. L'attaque crémeuse précède un vin linéaire porté par des tannins précis et aux grains fins fournissant puissance et constance. La structure acide agit en coulisse et assure les côtés toniques et rafraîchissants, jusqu'en finale. Un vin structuré et consolidé par une solide assise. Belle réussite.

*Yves Beck / Décembre 2025 - Livrable*



The second wine of Talbot, this has some smoky matchstick and lightly degraded yet crystalline fruit notes on the nose. The palate is ethereal and light-footed, with a gently polished core of redcurrant and strawberry, with a little wrapping of dry and powdered tannins. A little robust and sappy in the finish, in an old-school style, with a touch more grip than it really needs. Drinking sooner rather than later is the wise course of action here, I think.

*Chris Kissack / Janvier 2026 – Livrable*

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Subtle citrus and herbs to the cherries and plums. Perfumed and round, with medium body and fine tannins. Very well-balanced. A blend of 41% cabernet sauvignon, 56% merlot and 3% petit verdot. Already approachable but will hold for the next decade or so.

*James Suckling / January 2026 – Livrable*



The 2023 Connetable Talbot has a clean and fragrant nose with redcurrant and cranberry fruit. Simple but effective. The palate is medium-bodied with grainy tannins. Nicely balanced with just the right amount of structure, leading to a peppery finish, this Deuxième Vin should drink well for up to seven or eight years.

*Neal Martin / February 2026 – Livrable*



Baies noires, cerises et graphite dans le nez, juteux et précis en bouche, le fruit est soutenu par des tanins à grains fins, frais, énergétiques, longs et salés. Un Connétable très réussi.

*Adrian Van Velsen / Février 2026 – Livrable*