



CHATEAU DU RETOUT

— HAUT-MÉDOC —

**CRU
BOURGEOIS**
Supérieur

REVUE DE PRESSE

Château du Retout 2018

Wine spectator : J.Molesworth

Score: 89-92

Ripe boysenberry and cherry jam notes are a bit exuberant but stay focused through the spice-tinged finish.—J.M.

J Suckling

Score 90-91

A pleasant young red with dark-chocolate and plum character. Medium body, fresh acidity and tannins.

JM Quarin

Score : 16 / 90

Couleur sombre, intense et belle. Nez d'intensité moyenne, au fruité mûr. Moelleux à l'attaque, puis velouté en milieu de bouche, le vin évolue charnu et dense, avec du goût et une finale au tannin mûr et parfaitement enrobé. Longueur normale. Assemblage : 60 % cabernet sauvignon, 28,5 % merlot, 11,5 % petit verdot. Degré d'alcool : 13°9 - pH 3,89 - IPT : 72. 2027 – 2038

Forbes : Tom Mullen

The list below highlights some lesser known (as well as a few renowned) producers whose primeur reds deserve quality scores from 92 to 99 points on a scale of 100. In general, the quality of 2018 reds is excellent. The first five below are outstanding;

Château du Retout (Haut-Médoc) Citrus fruit in a matrix of dark berries. A lively, light delight. Barbecue some poultry to drink with this wine from Hélène et Frédéric Soual.

https://www.forbes.com/sites/tmullen/2019/04/10/why-2018-is-the-dark-star-vintage/?fbclid=IwAR3zzEstRMGz6VAi7sr7yHZC6RoA-9FnrO8Pwk_EmkOaEdeLBzpST52udiI#5003eb547663

Yves Beck

60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 28.5% Merlot, 11.5% Petit Verdot

Pourpre intense. Quel nez, quelle complexité ! Le bouquet de Retout 2018 joue sur plusieurs tableaux et affiche un niveau de perfection rarement atteint à la propriété. Que ce soit au niveau de la fraîcheur, de l'élevage, de la maturité et de l'intensité fruitée; tout concorde. Effluves de baies noires, de menthe, de graphite et de cacao. Quel niveau de précision ! La mise en bouche est friande, fruitée et dense. Au niveau tannique, Retout affiche des tannins puissants aux grains fins, parfaitement intégrés et en adéquation avec la race de la structure. En résumé, il présente toutes les aptitudes d'un grand vin et dans cette logique, c'est un grand vin. Je dirais même que c'est juste énorme ! Non seulement il est le plus grand Retout jamais produit, mais il fait tout simplement partie des grands vins de Bordeaux en 2018. 2024-2043 **94-96/100**

Chris KISSAK

SCORE : 93-95 The blend here is 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, picked between October 2nd and 17th, 28.5% Merlot, picked September 24th to October 1st, and 11.5% Petit Verdot, picked October 2nd and the 9th. There is a little more Merlot than usual, simply down to good volumes of Merlot (the blend put together in a blind tasting) although the volume of Cabernet is perhaps also reduced because of concentration on the vine. The alcohol is 13.9% and the pH is 3.89. Frédéric says there was no significant problem with mildew here, with just a little on the leaves, and none on the bunches. The sample was put together by drawing from a selection of the new barrels. It has an amazing colour in the glass, and a really appealing toasted note to the fruit with plenty of cigar-box and tobacco-leaf new-barrel scents. This is seriously good, showing a polished style, the palate brimming with black cherry, blackcurrant, currant and black olive concentration, with peppery energy and a fine and sinewy substance. This is a very impressive composition, the plush fruit wrapped around a sinewy central core of energetic tannins. A second sample, drawn the previous week, was even richer with more black cherry, damson and blackcurrant fruit. The quality here is excellent, surely the best Retout ever.

Decanter : Jane Anson

Score 90/100. Firm, lively and full of life, this is a good quality wine full of personality and with a touch of unforced, unfussy rusticity in the form of brambled hedgerow fruits. It's not as concentrated as some of its peers but has juice running through it. The Médoc tannins are highlighted by a kick of spice.
Drinking Window 2023 - 2036

Jancis ROBINSON

16 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 28.5% Merlot, 11.5% Petit Verdot. Barrel sample.

Dark crimson. Restrained, even a little raw on the nose. Juicy start and even a little bloody. Fairly distinctive. Dry finish with lots of fine tannin but refreshing.

Antonio GALLONI

Score : 88-90/100

The 2018 Du Retout is a delicious Haut-Médoc Cru Bourgeois from a property located between Margaux and Saint-Julien. Expressive savory notes from the Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot add aromatic nuance to a core of plush, dark fruit. This pliant, juicy Haut-Médoc has a lot to offer. Most importantly, it is absolutely delicious.

Yohan CASTAING

Score : 90-92 /100

Nez épice, un peu syrah, des notes d'iris, d'épices. Bouche juteuse et charnue, un bel enrobage avec des tanins structurants et un peu fermes. Une belle bouteille qui allie plaisir et garde moyenne.

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