



New Releases - Bordeaux En Primeur 2017

'2017 was complicated, but there are some excellent wines.' ~ by Decanter



Another batch of En Primeur 2017 has just been released. Among them are some notable names from Pauillac **Pichon Lalande**, **Grand Puy Lacoste**, value-for-money picks from Margaux – **Durfort Vivens**, **Brane Cantenac**, **D'Issan**, **Giscours**, **Rauzan Segla** and **Canon**; followed by masculine **Lafon Rochet** from St. Estephe, the investment grade 2nd growth **Ch. Gruaud Larose** and its 2nd wine **Sarget de Gruaud Larose**. On the right bank, we have one of the top performers of St. Emilion, **Ch. Quintus**, formerly named Ch. Tertre Daugay.

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2017 New Releases

En Primeur 2017	AOC	WA	Vinous	JS	WS	Euro	HKD (REF) @9.25
Blason D'Issan	Margaux	-	87-89	91-92	-	€ 19.50	HK\$181
Brane Cantenac	Margaux	-	88-91	92-93	88-91	€ 50.7	HK\$469
Calon Segur	St Estephe	92-94	90-93	94-95	91-94	€ 65	HK\$602
Canon	St Emilion	94-96	92-94	94-95	92-94	€ 71.5	HK\$662
Clarte De Haut Brion	Pessac Leognan	90-91	89-91	93-94	-	€ 65.00	HK\$602
Clarte De Haut Brion Blanc	Pessac Leognan	90-92	89-91	93-94	-	€ 65.00	HK\$602
Clos Du Clocher	Pomerol	90-92	90-93	91-92	-	€ 34.60	HK\$321

Croix de Gay	Pomerol	88-90	-	89-90	88-91	€ 24.00	HK\$222
D'Issan	Margaux	90-92	90-92	93-94	-	€ 45.50	HK\$421
Dragon de Quintus	St Emilion	88-90	-	89-90	-	€ 30.30	HK\$281
Durfort Vivens	Margaux	-	91-94	94-95	89-92	€ 40.30	HK\$373
Fleur de Gay	Pomerol	88-90	90-92	91-92	91-94	€ 64.20	HK\$594
Giscours	Margaux	90-92	90-93	92-93	89-92	€ 44.8	HK\$415
Grand Puy Lacoste	Pauillac	-	90-93	92-93	91-94	€ 57.00	HK\$528
Gruaud Larose	St Julien	-	90-92	92-93	91-94	€ 56.00	HK\$518
La Dominique	St Emilion	-	89-92	92-93	90-93	€ 42.80	HK\$396
Lafon Rochet	St Estephe	-	91-93	92-93	-	€ 32.50	HK\$301
Petit Village	Pomerol	90-92	90-93	94-95	91-94	€ 54.50	HK\$505
Pichon Lalande	Pauillac	94-96	93-95	95-96	92-95	€ 97.50	HK\$902
Quintus	St Emilion	93-95	89-92	93-94	-	€ 98.50	HK\$912
Rauzan Segla	Margaux	94-96	92-94	94-95	91-94	€ 57.00	HK\$528
Reserve de la Comtesse	Pauillac	88-90	90-92	92-93	-	€ 31.20	HK\$289
Sarget de Gruaud Larose	St Julien	-	88-90	88-89	-	€ 18.20	HK\$169

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Pichon Lalande 2017 (Pauillac)

EUR 97.5 (~HK\$902) / btl

James Suckling 95-96:

"This is a really fascinating young Pichon Lalande with a dense center palate of currants, crushed stones, salt and seashells. Really long and intense. Wonderful energy. Showing character of some of the top years of the 1980s."

Wine Advocate 94-96:

"This barrel sample is 100% new oak, whereas the final blend will be only 60% new oak. A blend of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Merlot, 6% Cabernet Franc and 1% Petit Verdot, the 2017 Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande is very deep garnet-purple in color with an incredibly fragrant nose of roses, lavender and baking spices over a core of crushed blackcurrants, wild blueberries and fresh plums plus touches of iron ore and underbrush. Medium-bodied and elegant with firm, grainy tannins, it's quite taut and muscular, with lots of perfumed and mineral layers and a long finish with lingering cinnamon and anise notes." - Lisa Perrotti-Brown

Vinous 93-95:

"The 2017 Pichon-Lalande was picked from 7 September to 2 October and underwent a 23 day cuvaion period. It is intense on the nose, the new oak coming through a little strongly since the sample came from a new barrel, the final blend consisting of 60% new wood. The palate is medium-bodied with firm tannin, the Cabernet Sauvignon driving this alone with layers of black fruit laced with cedar and graphite. It is a very "Pauillac" Pichon Lalande, less opulent and giving than recent vintages and more in the style of say, the 1996 or 2010. There is very good persistence on the saline finish but it is clearly a wine that is going to require more cellaring than its peers. Tasted four times in total, each time this gained more substance and density." - Neal Martin

Calon Segur 2017 (St Estephe)

EUR 65 (~HK\$602) / bt1

James Suckling 94-95:

"This is very delicate on the attack but it grows on the palate with firm and silky tannins that turn lightly chewy. Builds consistently. Compacted and tight."

Wine Advocate 92-94:

"The 2017 Calon-Segur is tentatively blended of 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Merlot, 9% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot. Deep garnet-purple in color, it opens with pronounced black currants, crushed blackberries and fresh black plums with hints of cigar box, sandalwood and cinnamon stick plus a waft of mossy bark. The palate is medium-bodied, elegant, energetic and fresh with layers of black fruit, perfumed incense and fragrant earth notions, lingering nicely with exotic spices coming through on the finish

Canon 2017 (St Emilion Grand Cru)

EUR 71.5 (~HK\$662) / bt1

Wine Advocate 94-96:

"The deep purple-black colored Canon offers-up intense of crushed blackberries, black cherries and warm cassis with touches of fertile loam, yeast extract, beef drippings and iron ore plus a waft of garrigue. Medium to full-bodied with great freshness and firm, rounded tannins, it's very earthy in the mouth, finishing long and mineral-laced. A very serious wine, it is also fun, bright and vivacious and should age impressively."

James Suckling 94-95:

"This is very focused and fresh with limestone and crushed-stone character. Medium to full body, integrated tannins and a salty finish. Shows lots of minerality already. Umami licorice undertones."

Rauzan Segla 2017 (Margaux)

EUR 57 (~HK\$528) / bt1

James Suckling 93-94:

"This sneaks up on you with a pretty density of ripe fruit such as plums and strawberries. Full body, layered and ripe tannins set this young wine up for a tannic and fruity finish."

Vinous 90-93:

"The 2017 Rauzan-Ségla is a fleshy, seductive wine. Soft contours and ripe silky tannins add to the wine's immediacy and sheer appeal. The viticultural and winemaking team has succeeded in adding finesse and detail to the Grand Vin without altering its classic sense of structure and proportion. A vertical explosion of fruit laced with expressive floral notes build into the finish in a classy, understated Margaux that hits all the right notes. Hints of tobacco, crushed flowers, leather, licorice and dried cherry add the closing shades of nuance. What a gorgeous wine this is. Tasted three times." - Antonio Galloni

Gruaud Larose 2017 (St Julien)

EUR 56 (~HK\$518) / bt1

Wine Spectator 91-94:

"Well-built, with plum and blackberry fruit that is very fresh, thanks to bright acidity. Light floral, anise and graphite notes add range. A savory streak keeps the finish going."

James Suckling 92-93:

"A firm and silky young red with an attractive center palate of fruit and hints of cedar. Fresh, tight and compacted."

Vinous 90-92:

"The 2017 Gruaud Larose was picked from 15 to 20 September for the Merlot and from 21 to 3 October for the Cabernets, fermented in wood and cement tanks and aged in French oak, 80% new for 18 to 24 months. It comes in with 12.88° alcohol. Quite deep in colour, it has an introverted bouquet at first that demands a lot of coaxing from the glass. There are notes of black cherry, iodine and just a touch of pencil lead. The palate is medium-bodied with finely balanced. An unpretentious but pretty Gruaud Larose that is benefitted by what is clearly a prudent extraction. The oak is neatly integrated with a linear, almost pastille-like finish and quite a sustained aftertaste." - Neal Martin

Durfort Vivens 2017 (Margaux)

EUR 40.3 (~HK\$373) / bt1

James Suckling 94-95:

"Very long and driven on the palate with asphalt, blackcurrants and violets. Full body, tight and intense. Hints of hazelnut at the end. Demeter certified biodynamic."

Vinous 91-94:

"The 2017 Durfort-Vivens is potent, but also quite structured and forbidding at this stage. The very high percentage (91%) of Cabernet Sauvignon in this vintage gives Durfort much of its character. Classically austere in the best sense of the term, the 2017 looks like a wine that is going to need a good bit of time to unwind. Grilled herbs, smoke, tobacco and incense develop in the glass, and yet the 2017 is only showing some of its cards. Yields are down about 35% because of frost, but the damage was mostly contained to parcels in Soussans as opposed to those that inform the Grand Vin." - Antonio Galloni

Wine Spectator 89-92:

"Charming and stylish, showing bright floral lift throughout while red currant and raspberry fruit, along with mineral and rooibos tea notes, glide through the silky finish."

Lafon Rochet 2017 (St Estephe)

EUR 32.5 (~HK\$301) / bt1

James Suckling 92-93:

"Solid, ultra-clean 2017 with a very pretty core of fruit and chewy tannins. Flavorful and fresh. Extremely long and focused."

Vinous 91-93:

"The 2017 Lafon-Rochet has matured in 50% new oak and the remainder in one-year old. I have to say, the bouquet is very expressive with plenty of blackberry, wild hedgerow, oyster shell and pressed flower that blossom in the glass. It is very well defined and more sophisticated than I have detected in recent vintages. Perhaps this is the first vintage where the new winery, replete with concrete vats, has really played a serious role in meliorating quality. The palate is medium-bodied with sappy black fruit, quite saline in the mouth with just a hint of black olive. There is a slightly grainy texture with a sustained peppery finish, completing a crisp and vivacious Lafon-Rochet that should please many wine-lovers. Expect this to land at the top of my banded score." - Neal Martin

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