

# CHÂTEAU BONALGUE

2016

**JAMESSUCKLING.COM, 4 April 2017: 93-94**

A tight, linear and ever so pretty red with blackberry, blueberry and wet-earth character. Medium body and firm tannins. Savory and minerally.

**MYBETTANEDESSEAUVE.FR, 3 mai 2017 : 93**

Déjà très plaisants, les arômes fleurent bon la myrtille et la pivoine. La bouche offre des tannins mûrs bien proportionnés avec une allonge gourmande et fraîche.

**THE WINE ADVOCATE – Neal Martin , 28 Avril 2017: 90-92**

The 2016 Bonalgue is pure Merlot picked from 3-15 October at 46 hectoliters per hectare, then matured in 50% new oak barrels. It has a lovely, pure and winsome bouquet with precise redcurrant and blackberry scents that gently unfurl in the glass, the oak neatly integrated. The palate is medium-bodied with supple and juicy tannin, clean black fruit laced with tobacco, segueing into a precise and quite persistent finish. Maybe not quite up there with the 2015, but certainly not far off.

**WINE DOCTOR – Chris Kissack, Avril 2017 : 92-94**

From a 9.4-hectare vineyard close to the railway and owned and run by Jean-Baptiste Bourotte, of Clos du Clocher. This is 100% Merlot, picked between the 3rd and the 15th October, sorted by densitometry, and maceration for one month before running off into barrel. A pretty nose, perfumed, with a white pebble freshness, delicate and bright, along with a wonderfully granular praline, toast and coffee bean complexity. The palate is substantial, fresh, pure, with a lovely weight of concentrated fruit, black cherry, damson and hawthorn, with a punchy tannic backbone and a fine acid freshness as well. A smoked fruit concentration, fresh and pure, with definite sweetness and texture, a finely polished grip, and the lifted acid brightness of the vintage. Very good.

**VVWINE.CH – Adrian Van Velsen, 4 avril 2017 : 92**

Intensive, Sehr tiefe und Komplexe Nase, florale Noten, Gewürze, eine ganzer Fruchtkorb, wow, ein Kleiner Schnüffelwein, das macht Spass. Sehr saftiger Gaumen, präzise Frucht, saftig, knackig, frisch, rote und dunkle Beeren kämpfen um den Vorrang, das Holz perfekt eingebunden, sehr viel Fingerspitzengefühl ist hier angewendet worden, keinerlei Holzüberlastung. Sehr schöner, langer und frischer Abgang. Bravo Ein sehr gut gelungener Pomerol, äusserst empfehlenswert. 2023-2037.

**LE POINT – Jacques Dupont, 18 mai 2017 : 16**

Fruits rouges, mûre, élégant, raffiné, très juteux, vif, dense, milieu de bouche serré, beaucoup de fraîcheur, tendu, bon vin. *O* = 2022 *G* = 15

**VINUM EXTRA BORDEAUX 2017 SUPPLEMENT– Guide 2016 - Rolf Bichsel, Juin 2017 : 16,5**

We like the black-berry notes, the huge density, and the quality of the robust but not aggressive tannins. 2024 to 2030

**GREAT BORDEAUX WINES - Izak Litwar, Mai 2017 : 90-91**

**VINOUS MEDIA – Antonio Galloni, Avril 2017 : 89-92**

The 2016 Bonalgue makes a strong first impression with its fleshy, voluptuous personality. Although not especially complex, the 2016 has lovely depth of fruit and plenty of presence. Hints of mocha, smoke and red plum round things out nicely. Tasted two times.

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**TERRE DE VINS - n°47, Mai-Juin 2017 : 16**

Boisé/grillé, quelques malolactiques en barriques, de la fraîcheur, des notes acidulées, violette aussi.

**LA REVUE DU VIN DE France, Philippe Maurange - n°611, Mai 2017 : 15-16**

Bouche minérale, niveau d'acidité assez élevé qui lui apporte une belle fraîcheur.

**B MY BORDEAUX, Christer Byklum, Avril 2017 : 89-91**

Ruby. Dark fruits, blueberries, anise, some spices, detailed nose. Fresh acidity, ripe tannins, fruity, vanilla, blackberries, some red fruits, rounded.

**VINIFERA n°56, Jacques Perrin, Mai 2017 : 90-92**

**BERNARDBURTHSCHY.COM - Bernard Burthschy, juin 2017: 16**

Bonalgue est, cette année, assez frais, droit, un peu strict, de bonne longueur avec une corpulence moyenne L'expérience montre qu'il évolue bien en bouteille. 3-8 ans

**FALSTAFF.DE - Peter Moser & Ulrich Sautter, 24 mai 2017: 92**

Tiefdunkles Rubingranat, opaker Kern, violette Reflexe, zarte Randaufhellung, feine Röstaromen, ein Hauch von Mokka und schwarzen Beeren, angenehme Edelholznuancen. Saftig, süße Kirschenfrucht, würzige Tannine, gute Frische, bleibt haften, im Abgang präsenste Holznote, pfeffriger Nachhall.

**JEANNIE CHO LEE, Avril 2017 : 89**

This pretty, lively Pomerol has layers of sweet spices and juicy red plum fruit. The firm tannins are round and supple providing good support for the ripe fruit flavors. 90% Merlot planted on 7.5 hectares.