

CHATEAU
GRAND-PUY DUCASSE



GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855

REVUE DE PRESSE « PRIMEURS 2025 »



Wine Spectator

JAMES MOLESWORTH

The 2025 Château Grand-Puy-Ducasse Pauillac is **bright, ripe and succulent**, with an underlying juiciness that really drives the blackberry and black currant fruit along. It's fresh and well-defined and continues the trend line here for **an estate that is coming on strong**.

JAMES SUCKLING.COM 

95-96

Medium- to full-bodied with precise, delineated fruit. There is a savory touch and a firm finish, with **overall balance between structure and fruit. Finesse through but plenty behind.**

Decanter.com

GEORGIE HINDLE

95

Lovely fragrance and intensity of aromatics, blackcurrants and cherries with some dried herbal notes. Supple and grippy, chalky and filling but with such delicacy that it's not at all overwhelming. Young but not really tight or too focused, it settles after a few minutes opening up the ripe black fruit. **Mouthwatering acidity perfectly balances the tannins and structure without one part being over the top.** I like the restrained style but there's still an undercurrent of blueberries, cola, mint, liquorice and graphite. **Assured and confident.** Spiced.
Drinking Window: 2030 - 2050

JEB DUNNUCK

94-96

Cassis, graphite, spicy wood, and floral nuances all define the 2025 Château Grand-Puy Ducasse, **a beautiful effort ranking with the best wines from this château.** Medium to full-bodied on the palate, **it has a pure, graceful mouthfeel, ultra-fine tannins, and wonderful overall balance.** It's a **beautifully classic, satisfying Pauillac in the making.** Tasted twice with consistent notes.

THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER

JEFF LEVE

95

Currants, cigar box, tobacco leaves, cedar, blackberries, flowers, licorice, and a touch of smoke create the aromatic profile. On the palate the wine is round, polished, fruity, and expansive, with layers of creamy berries, espresso, licorice and spice. **This could be the best wine ever produced at Grand Puy Ducasse.** Drink from 2030-2055.
94-96



falstaff

BORDEAUX
EN PRIMEUR

PETER MOSER

94

Deep dark ruby garnet, opaque core, violet reflections, delicate rim brightening.

Delicately floral dark forest berry confit, delicate nougat, blackberry confit, inviting bouquet. Complex, juicy, elegant, ripe tannins, fine extract sweetness on the finish, **a harmonious companion at the table, good development potential. The ascent continues.**

James Robinson
JAMES LAWTHER

17/20

Purple hue. Ripe and precise on the nose with dark-fruit aromas. Suave attack, the tannins abundant but ripe and rounded. **Long, persistent finish.** More precision than in the past. **Good potential.** (JL)

Drink: 2032 - 2045

Antonio Galloni
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NEAL MARTIN

92-94

The 2025 Grand Puy Ducasse has a very succinct nose. At first, it feels maybe a bit underpowered, yet with a few swirls it reveals gorgeous blackberry, cedar and violet scents that blossom over time. The palate is medium-bodied with very lithe and supple tannins, well-judged acidity and commendable cohesion on the finish. **This vastly improved Pauillac should be more approachable than some of its peers, yet it has the substance to age in bottle.**

Drinking window: 2031 - 2055

JANE ANSON
INSIDE BORDEAUX

93

Concentrated and plenty of punch, this has plenty of tasty black fruits, juice and flavourful character. **Enjoyable.** First year in organic conversion.

The 2025 Grand Puy Ducasse is a gorgeous, racy wine. Silky red/purplish fruit, lavender, rose petal build in the glass. **More than anything else, the wine's balance is terrific.** Grand Puy Ducasse remains a bold, fruity Pauillac, but its balance is commendable. **All the elements are so well proportioned.**

Drinking Window: 2033 - 2065

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explore all things wine
ANTONIO GALLONI

(92-94)



**bettane +
desseauve**

94-95

Le meilleur millésime récent du cru affirme une définition exemplaire du grand pauillac classique. Les tannins harmonieux et la noblesse de structure en font **un vin idéal pour bâtir une belle cave de bordeaux.**

**LA REVUE DU
vin
DE FRANCE**

93-95

Vin concentré et structuré, mais doté d'une belle définition du fruit et d'une matière mieux tenue. L'extraction semble plus précise avec la mise en service du nouveau chai ; les tanins apparaissent nettement mieux maîtrisés. Dense sans austérité, il s'achève sur une finale équilibrée. **Le meilleur jamais dégusté en primeur pour Grand-Puy Ducasse.**

OLIVIER POELS

Château Grand-Puy Ducasse : « Un vin qui s'affirme au fil de la dégustation »

LE FIGARO

ELLA LISTER &
BÉATRICE
DELAMOTTE

93-96

Très pur et noble, le nez se montre raffiné avec des parfums de fleurs poudrées tandis que les fruits noirs frais apportent de l'énergie, relevé par la réglisse noire et le poivre de Timut. **Somptueuse, la bouche est envoûtante avec une énergie jaillissante et déferlante** comme les rapides d'un torrent de montagne. **Un vin qui s'affirme au fil de la dégustation, passant de la tendresse d'un page à l'autorité naturelle magnifique d'un aristocrate.**

BERNARD
BURTSCHY
Ph.D
LA RIGUEUR DU MATHÉMATICIEN ET L'EXPERTISE DES TERROIRS

95-96

Les grands investissements consentis par Grand-Puy-Ducasse se retrouvent enfin dans le grand vin (et le second vin d'ailleurs). La robe est noire et le vin est dense et serré, impressionnant avec son très joli moelleux, le vin est tout en longueur, les tannins sont fins. **Le plus grand Grand Puy-Ducasse depuis des siècles.**

GILBERT GAILLARD

INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE

SYLVAIN PATARD

97

Grosse réussite ! Densité, sève, noblesse du bois, expression racée du fruit, **tout y est ! Le terroir magnifié dans cette version 2025.**

94-96

The steep upward progression here before and particularly after the opening of the new winemaking facility continues, as this wine confirms. This is a simply beautiful Pauillac, a wine of great charm and elegance with the aristocratic self-confidence that somehow the appellation exudes at its best. The combination of floral and cedary notes on the nose is divine, as is the way they both seem to weave themselves through and around the dark berry and stone fruits; there's a slight hint of oak smoke too, above all when retasted at the UGCB press tasting. This has lots of density and concentration for the vintage and, although élevage will be crucial, **I have great confidence that we will look back on this vintage as a new reference for the estate.**

Intense, Bright, Black Fruit, Cedar, Dried Herbs, Cassis, Medium bodied, Refreshing Acidity, Subtle Oak, Grainy Texture, High Tannin, Needs Time

Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2025 Grand Puy Ducasse slowly unfurls to reveal notes of juicy black plums and fresh black currants, plus suggestions of cedar chest, bay leaves, and tilled soil. The medium-bodied palate delivers tight-knit black fruit flavors with firm, grainy tannins and a lively line, finishing long with a savory lift.

Classic great Pauillac.

Food Pairings: Roast Beef, Grilled Steak, Grilled Lamb, Game

Drinking Window: 2028–2048

I am rather charmed by the aromatic character of the nose here, with scents of griottes, wild berries, violets and dark chocolate. The palate is no less enticing, with an immediately seductive core of griottes, dark cherries, dark chocolate and perfumed violets, set in a sinewy texture, with a rich grip of finely composed tannins set within the body of the wine. It holds its own beautifully on the palate, from start to finish, before concluding in a charming and harmonious melding of grip and dark, perfumed fruit. **This is a property on the up in recent years, and the 2025 vintage appears to continue this success story.** (April 2026)

THE WINE PALATE

LISA PERROTTI-BROWN

92-94

WINEDOCTOR
CHRIS KISSACK

92-94

ALEXANDRE MAO

92-94

Perhaps lifted by the new winery, or by the increasingly refined control of the winemaking team, Château Grand-Puy Ducasse has, over the past three vintages, revealed a consistently pure and elevated expression of Cabernet Sauvignon. Aromas of blackcurrant and violet carry a sense of calm and steady composure. On the palate, layers of tannins first adhere gently to the tongue, before a texture reminiscent of fresh cheese fills the palate, bringing both structure and suppleness. It retains the framework expected of Pauillac, while also achieving the tender, soft texture I look for. Although the tannins show a slight edge in youth, with just 3 to 4 years of aging, the wine will evolve into a more natural and harmonious balance.

Vinum

MAGAZIN FÜR WEINKULTUR

ADRIAN VAN VELSEN

91-93

Kühl im Ausdruck mit Cassis, Brombeeren und merklich Röstnoten, darüber florale Akzente; am Gaumen frisch, fruchtbetont im Auftakt, dann machen sich die Tannine bemerkbar, diese sind markant, jedoch nicht zu dominant; im Abgang rotfruchtig, endet salzig auf Sauerkirschen. **Seit den neuen Kellieranlagen hat der Wein deutlich an Eleganz gewonnen.** (Trinken von 2031 bis 2050)

Terre de Vins

91-93

Deuxième millésime vinifié dans le nouveau cuvier de la propriété, conçu pour le parcellaire morcelé, ce 2025 dévoile un nez délicat de mûre, de fleur de cerisier et de moka. Sa **matière soyeuse et enveloppante** recèle des arômes de cerise noire et de bâton de réglisse et **dépose, sur les papilles, une fraîcheur poudrée.**

Tim
Atkin MW

92

Plenty of spicy, smoky oak aromas with some cedar and clove lying on top of ripe black fruits. Juicy and rich in the mouth with good freshness and fine tannins. **This has the structure and depth to hold for a long time, but the lively fruit and fineness of tannins to suggest it will be approachable in the mid term.**

Le Point

JACQUES DUPONT

16,5 / 17

Fruité, **bouche fraîche élégante**, tanins fins, raffinés, finale fruitée et souple.

O = 2029 G = 15

