

CHATEAU CHAUVIN

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Journaliste	Note	Commentaire
Neal Martin Wine Advocate	92-94	<i>The 2016 Chauvin, owned by Sylvie Cazes, has a nicely detailed bouquet with blackberry, iris and bay leaf aromas, more understated than the 2015 Chauvin and perhaps more detailed. The palate is medium-bodied with fine, supple tannin, plenty of slightly tarry black fruit but with great structure and focus on the lightly spiced finish. This may be the best vintage that I have tasted in recent vintages, and it should age with style.</i>
Jancis Robinson	17	<i>Blackish crimson. Cool and sweet and rather gorgeous. Energy. Fresh and lively. Well balanced.</i>
James Suckling	92-93	<i>This is really solid and concentrated with tight-grained tannins and an impressive density of ripe and cool fruit. Muscular. Could rival the wonderful 2015.</i>
Antonio Galloni	91 – 94	<i>The 2016 Chauvin is powerful, dense and concentrated, but there is more than enough depth and sweetness to the fruit to carry the intense tannins and give the wine its impeccable balance. To be sure, this is a bold, powerful style, but all the elements are in the right place. Bright floral and blood orange notes give the wine further lift and brightness to the red fruit flavors. Tasted two times.</i>
Jeannie Cho Lee	93	<i>This is a beautifully textured, supple Chauvin with lovely fresh flavors and ripe, quite dense tannins. The potential is there for the wine to open up and become more complex, but in its youth, this depth is hard to see. A well-crafted, harmonious red.</i>
Decanter	90	<i>Plump, ripe black fruit packed with tension and bristling tannins. Successful this vintage, as it was in 2015, it goes for impact and pulls it off. This was the longest and latest harvest in memory, completed on 20th October.</i>
Chris Kissack	93-95 / 100	<i>From 12 hectares of vines, planted with 75% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc and 5% Cabernet Sauvignon, cropped at 46 hl/ha. A fairly traditional vinification, save for a cold pre-fermentation maceration. The élevage will be in 60% new oak, for somewhere between 15 and 18 months. Impressive aromatics, very dark and pure, with blackcurrants, black bean, black olives too, yet with a pure, limestone freshness and lift coming in behind. The palate feels fresh and pure, with beautifully supple fruit, savoury and yet generous, the bitter bite of tannin hiding beneath a layer of olive, black bean and curranty fruit. Smoky, intense, with ripe grippy tannins, and fresh, biting acidity, this is an impressive result, with a striking phenolic finish. Very good indeed.</i>
Bettane & Desseauve	93 - 94	<i>Boisé et fruits noirs, onctuosité suave, allonge raffinée, profond.</i>
RVF	15 - 16	<i>Matière dense, tanins fournis mais sans sécheresse. Notes grillées et fumées mais le fruit n'est jamais loin derrière. Ce style velouté et expressif convient admirablement au terroir proche du plateau de Pomerol.</i>
Jacques Dupont Le Point	16	<i>Vanille, boise blond, bouche ronde, élégante, fraîche droite, petite note de violette et de poivre en finale, long et fin.</i>
Terre de Vins	17	<i>Nez très typé, épicé, réglissé. En bouche la chair est ferme, sphérique et onctueuse, c'est gourmand, précis, subtilement musqué, avec des tanins élégants. Château Chauvin monte en gamme, indéniablement.</i>