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Millésime 2003

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Bodem: klei en kalk

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Beschikbare volumes: 0,75L

Verpakking: CB12

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SCORES - 2003

29/08/2014 **WINE ADVOCATE (ROBERT PARKER) : 89 / 100**



Here is another example of why some of the best value picks, especially from limestone soils in 2003, can offer not only longevity, but delicious drinking. Owned by Stephan von Neipperg, yields in 2003 were 28 hectoliters per hectare, and the final blend was 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc. Copious notes of white chocolate, espresso roast, black currants and sweet kirsch jump from the glass of this exotic, spicy, fully mature, delicious, round, complex Cotes de Castillon. Consultant Stephane Derenoncourt said that the natural alcohol was 14%. Drink this beauty over the next several years.

24/04/2006 **WINE ADVOCATE (ROBERT PARKER) : 90 / 100**



This large (120+ acres) vineyard planted on limestone and clay soils is composed of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc. Bottled unfiltered and unfiltered, the 2003 was produced from yields of 28 hectoliters per hectare. It exhibits a dense purple color as well as a big, sweet nose of scorched earth, blackberries, underbrush, cherries, and smoke. Layered, opulent, powerful, and rich, with its tannin character well-hidden by abundant fruit, it should drink well for 10-12 years. It is another example of this backwater appellation producing a wine that transcends its pedigree.

31/03/2006 **WINE SPECTATOR (JAMES SUCKLING) : 91 / 100**



Aromas of blackberry, spices, chocolate and meat follow through to a full-bodied palate, with lots of juicy fruit. Luscious finish. Gorgeous. This has a new winery, but the clay soil of the vineyards really helped. Best after 2009. 7,000 cases made.

29/04/2005 **WINE ADVOCATE (ROBERT PARKER) : 87-89 / 100**



Sweet currant, cranberry, and cherry scents are followed by a dense ruby/purple-colored, medium-bodied wine. A lovely texture, ripe tannin, and plenty of black fruits result in an attractive, delicious savory claret to drink over the next 5-6 years.

29/04/2004 **WINE ADVOCATE (ROBERT PARKER) : 89-91 / 100**



One of the many up and coming estates from the Cotes de Castillon, this large property is owned by Stephan von Neipperg, who makes the wine with the assistance of hot-shot winemaking guru Stephane Derenoncourt. A blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc, the 2003 boasts a deep saturated ruby/purple color along with sweet black currant fruit intermixed with notes of high class cigar tobacco, espresso roast, and new oak. Fleshy and rich, this potential sleeper of the vintage should drink well for 10-12 years.

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SCORES - 2008



31/05/2011 WINE ADVOCATE (ROBERT PARKER) : 90 / 100



Unquestionably a sleeper of the vintage, the opaque plum/ruby/purple-tinged 2008 d'Aiguilhe reveals abundant notes of licorice, fruitcake, black currants and kirsch, sweet tannin, a round, generous texture and impressive purity as well as length. It should be enjoyed over the next 6-8 years. Drink 2011-2019

15/12/2010 WINE SPECTATOR (THOMAS MATTHEWS) : 90 / 100



This lush, expressive red is riche with ripe fruit flavors of blackberry and cassis, framed with coffee bean and dark chocolate. The tanins are firm but well-integrated, and juicy acidity keeps the wine fresh and bright through the spicy finish. Best from 2012 through 2010. -T.M

30/06/2009 FALSTAFF : 87-89 / 100



Dunkles Rubingranat, jugendliche Reflexe, violetter Rand. In der Nase feine Edelholzwürze, dunkle Beeren, Cassis, attraktive Note. Am Gaumen stoffig, zarte Dörrobstnote, zarte blättrig unterlegte Tannine, extaktsüßer Nachhall, ein vielseitiger Speisenbegleiter.

07/05/2009 WEIN WISSER (RENÉ GABRIEL) : 17 / 20



Trinkreife 2015-2027

30/04/2009 WINE ADVOCATE (ROBERT PARKER) : 90-92 / 100



A sleeper of the vintage as well as a great bargain, this effort from Stefan von Neipperg's empire is a blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc. Like so many of his wines, the grapes are hand-harvested in small plastic containers, there is strict temperature control, a month-long maceration, a Burgundian punch down (pigeage), malolactic takes place in oak, and the wine is aged sur-lie. An inky/purple color is followed by a beautiful bouquet of crushed rocks, black raspberries, and blueberries, sensational intensity, sweet, but high tannins, good acidity, and amazing length, especially for a wine of this pedigree. It should drink nicely for a decade. Drink 2009-2019

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24/04/2009 TAST : 16 / 20

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Impressionnant de plénitude et de profondeur : vin riche et intense, sans rudesse, d'une longueur très excitante.

22/04/2009 WINE ADVOCATE (NEAL MARTIN) : 87-89 / 100



Rich and toasty on the nose – very pure, plummy. Good definition. The palate is full-bodied, very tannins but it has the fruit to back it up Grippy, plum and blackberry with a touch of graphite towards the finish. Moderate length. Fine. Tasted March 2009.

16/04/2009 JANCIS ROBINSON (JANCIS ROBINSON) : 16 / 20



Bright black cherry aromas – quite unusual for 2008! Polished tannins. Quite gamey. Pretty worked. But lots of potential. Drink 2012-17

15/04/2009 DECANTER MAGAZINE (JAMES LAWTHOR MW) : 16 / 20



Round, fruit driven, gourmand. In tune with the style of the vintage. Polished tannins. Drink 2011-2017.

06/04/2009 WINE SPECTATOR (JAMES SUCKLING) : 88-91 / 100



Very ripe and floral, with mineral and fresh herb. Medium- to full-bodied, with ripe tannins and a long, flavorful finish. Impressive as always for the price and the vintage.

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SCORES - 2011

NOTES DES JOURNALISTES

31/08/2014 **STEPHEN TANZER'S INTERNATIONAL WINE CELLAR (IAN D'AGATA) : 90 / 100**

**Stephen
Tanzer**

Good full ruby. Enticing aromas of boysenberry, black cherry, chocolate and spicy oak. Bright and juicy in the mouth, with lovely violet lift to the black fruit and herb flavors. Finishes very long and fresh: you can really tell these vines grow on calcaire-rich soils! A lovely wine that is drinking well already but has the stuffing to last another ten years. A major success for the vintage.

02/05/2014 **WINE ADVOCATE (ROBERT PARKER) : 88 / 100**

PARKER

A part of the charismatic and quality oriented Comte von Neipperg's empire, this reliable, over-achieving Castillon boasts a dense ruby/purple color in addition to abundant black currant and black cherry fruit intermixed with notions of forest floor and spring flowers. A juicy, medium to full-bodied mouthfeel as well as super purity and ripeness, and beautiful integration of oak, acidity, tannin and alcohol suggest this delicious, front end-loaded value selection should drink nicely for 8-10 years. It is another sleeper of the vintage. Some barely noticeable drying tannins in the finish kept my score from going higher.

19/02/2014 **JAMESSUCKLING.COM (JAMES SUCKLING) : 89 / 100**

**JAMES
SUCKLING**

A 2011 with shaved-chocolate and berry character, a medium body and firm tannins. Fresh style. 80% merlot and 20% cabernet franc. Better in 2015.

12/05/2012 **STEPHEN TANZER'S INTERNATIONAL WINE CELLAR (IAN D'AGATA) : 87-90 / 100**

**Stephen
Tanzer**

(80% merlot and 20% cabernet franc; 45% new oak, 30 h/h): Bright dark red. Dark fruits, coffee, minerals and spices on the nose. Supple, sweet and fine-grained, with dark fruit and mineral flavors offering a plump texture, good depth and moderate nuance. This strikes me as a very accessible D'Aiguilhe. Finishes with a fine dusting of tannins.

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30/04/2012 **DECANTER.COM : 16 / 20**



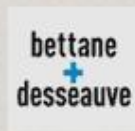
Bright purple hue. Lifted fruit, the chalky terroir nuance enhanced by the acidity. Ripe tannins but firm finish. Drink 2016-2022.

30/04/2012 **WINE ADVOCATE (ROBERT PARKER) : 87-88 / 100**



This large estate of 125 acres was cropped at 30 hectoliters per hectare by proprietor Stephan von Neipperg and his consultant, Stephane Derenoncourt. The final blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc hit 14% natural alcohol. The wine possesses a dense ruby/purple color, notes of licorice, crushed rock, spring flowers, blue and black fruits, nice flesh, medium body and good acidity. It should drink well for a decade.

30/04/2012 **TAST (BETTANE & DESSEAUME) : 16 / 20**



Intense et volumineux, belle densité gourmande, petits fruits noirs, cassis mûr, allonge.

30/04/2012 **WEIN WISSER (RENÉ GABRIEL) : 16 / 20**



2015-2027

27/04/2012 **THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER (JEFF LEVE) : 90-92 / 100**



From a blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc, this wine will be aged in 45% new oak. From limestone soil similar to what is found on the St. Emilion plateau, it shows flowers, minerality, spearmint and plum. This fresh, soft, black raspberry-filled, tannic wine will benefit from a few years of age. 90-92 Pts

27/04/2012 **WINE ADVOCATE (NEAL MARTIN) : 88-90 / 100**



Tasted twice. A blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc this has a pretty rounded, floral bouquet with touches of violet. It should develop nicely in barrel. The palate is sweet and crisp on the entry with a fine citric thread. It is well balanced, very harmonious and pretty rather than powerful towards the finish. This is well made when it might have been overdone. Fine. Tasted April 2012

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