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SCORES - 2014

31/03/2017 WINE ADVOCATE (NEAL MARTIN) : 93 / 100



The 2014 Labégorce is one those "dark horses" of the vintage, a wine that has a prosperous future. It has a lovely, very pure and sensual bouquet with lifted redcurrant and wild strawberry scents that really evoke the essence of Margaux. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannin, well-judged acidity, good concentration with a satisfying raspberry preserve-infused finish that demonstrates superb persistence. I adored this Labégorce from barrel and now in bottle it does nothing to disprove my initial enthusiasm. Top Margaux ahoy!

16/02/2017 JAMESSUCKLING.COM (JAMES SUCKLING) : 90 / 100



Either you'll like the hints of bell pepper and mint to this or not, but there's a ton of blackcurrant and blackberry fruit. It's medium-bodied with moderately dry tannins balanced out by a hint of sweetness. Good but not great length.

10/02/2017 WINE SPECTATOR (JAMES MOLESWORTH) : 90 / 100



Open, with a caressing feel to the mix of violet, plum and anise notes. Twinges of licorice snap and bay show on the finish, but this stays relatively graceful overall. A very pretty display of fruit. Drink now through 2026. 10,000 cases made.

06/02/2017 VINOUS (ANTONIO GALLONI) : 90 / 100



Super-ripe red cherry, plum, mocha, licorice and sweet French oak are some of the signatures of the 2014 Labégorce. A flamboyant, exuberant wine, the 2014 possesses good depth and balance. The oak is overpowering, which is a shame, as there is notable purity to the fruit. The blend is 58 % Merlot, 40 % Cabernet Sauvignon and 2 % Petit Verdot.

02/02/2017 WINE ENTHUSIAST (ROGER VOSS) : 92 / 100



This is a firm wine, dominated by tannins and dark layers of wood. The blackcurrant fruit is there to burst out as the wine matures over the next few years. The estate is close to the river, on a dense gravel rise, near Château Margaux.

21/05/2015 LE POINT (JACQUES DUPONT) : 15 / 20



Nez discret, fruits rouges, fraise, bouche ronde, souple, tanins fondus, droit, assez juteux, un peu boisé, frais.

11/05/2015 VINOUS (ANTONIO GALLONI) : 91-94 / 100



The 2014 Labégorce is round, supple and nicely layered. Smoke, plums, black cherries and French oak meld together in a ripe, racy Margaux built on textured fruit. Sweet floral notes add lift on the layered, sensual finish. This voluptuous Margaux should drink well pretty much upon release. There is a lot to like, that much is clear. The blend is 58% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon and 2% Petit Verdot. Michel Rolland is the Consultant for Labégorce, which is owned by the Perrodo family. Here, the winemaking style appears to be better suited to the intrinsic personality of the wine than it is at Marquis d'Alesme - Becker. This is a fabulous wine in its class.

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05/05/2015 THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER (JEFF LEVE) : 88-90 / 100



This wine is packed with ripe plums, cherries and a hint of thyme. The sense of softness in the texture readies you for an elegant, chocolate, espresso bean and fresh, cassis finish. The wine was produced from a blend of 58% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot and 2% Petit Verdot and is aging in 50% new, French oak barrels. 88-90 Pts

30/04/2015 BETTANE & DESSEAUVE (BETTANE & DESSEAUVE) : 16,5-17 / 20



Beau raisin mûr, corps généreux, texture ample et veloutée, il fait jeu égal avec les crus classés du secteur.

30/04/2015 MATTHEWJUKES.COM (MATTHEW JUKES) : 17 / 20



With a stunning core of juiciness which keeps the rest of the wine pumped up this is a superb vintage for Labégorce which also features touches of mint, rose and cherry. A medium-weight wine with a very long finish and already completely in balance this is a very attractive wine indeed.

30/04/2015 WINE ADVOCATE (NEAL MARTIN) : 91-93 / 100



The Château Labégorce 2014 is a blend of 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 48% Merlot and 2% Petit Verdot and matured in 50% new oak. The nose is well defined and focused, tensile blackberry and boysenberry fruit embroidered with fine minerality. Good start! The palate is medium-bodied with supple ripe tannin, saturated black cherry and raspberry fruit with a gentle, silky finish that just needs a little more backbone. That is a minor quibble for what could be an excellent wine from this fast-improving Margaux estate. Don't be surprised if it merits a higher score in bottle. 91-93+

20/04/2015 JANCIS ROBINSON (JANCIS ROBINSON) : 15,5 / 20



Dark purple. Sweet oak dominates the nose. Black mark! Then there is acidity on the palate, a weight of fruit. And very uncomfortable drying tannins on the end. Fast fade. Drink 2022-2030

20/04/2015 ASIAN PALATE (JEANNIE CHO LEE MW) : 87 / 100



Very pretty, approachable, light-bodied Margaux with notes of violets, roses and cassis. Elegant and easy to enjoy young with upfront fruit and supple tannins.

17/04/2015 DECANTER.COM (STEVEN SPURRIER) : 16,75 / 20



Rich density of fruit typical of Labégorce. Big broad flavours that are robust but still with some Margaux elegance. Good future. Drink: 2018-2028 (89)

10/04/2015 JAMESUCKLING.COM (JAMES SUCKLING) : 90-91 / 100



A very classy young red with super classy tannins. Medium to full body, fresh fruit and bright acidity.

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07/04/2015 TIMATKIN.COM (TIM ATKIN MW) : 87 / 100

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01/04/2015 RENÉ GABRIEL (RENÉ GABRIEL) : 18 / 20

**RENÉ
GABRIEL**

Extrem dunkles Purpur mit lila und violetten Reflexen. Nach so viele kalten und unnahbaren Margaux war es eine richtige Wohltat an diesem Bouquet riechen zu dürfen, feine Röstnote, reife Frucht, Maulbeeren und ein Hauch von Caramel, im Finale lang und aromatisch. Hat viel Spass bereitet. Und genau so viel Spass und Freude wird er in seiner Reife bereiten. Er gehört zu den Besten! Bravo!
18/20 2024 – 2048

01/04/2015 WINE ENTHUSIAST (ROGER VOSS) : 91 / 20



90–92. Barrel Sample. Smoke-driven on the nose, the palate brings flavors of dark coffee and bitter chocolate. The tannins are rough and could use some time to integrate. — R.V. (3/31/2015)

31/03/2015 WINE SPECTATOR (JAMES MOLESWORTH) : 87-90 / 100

**Wine
Spectator**

A touch airy, with damson plum, pomegranate and violet notes, backed by a light savory whiff on the finish. Fills in a bit on the back end.



Gault
Millau

GAULTMILLAU : 14,5-15,5 / 20

Nez charmeur et croquant. Grain juteux, du fruit, des tanins bien présents et pas agressifs, une finale droite et fruitée. Un vin élégant et plaisir.

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22/05/2017 WEIN WISSER : 18 / 20



Sattes Purpur mit violetten Reflexen. Komplexe Nase mit dichter, blaubeeriger Frucht und viel Kirschtobak, dahinter Cassidrops und helles Edelholz. Am kräftigen Gaumen mit festem Tanningerüst, reifem Extrakt und viel Brombeereim Rückaroma, sehr gute Anlagen und langes Finale mit Heidelbeeren. Auch in diesem Jahr eine sichere Bank!

15/05/2017 LE FIGARO - L'AVIS DU VIN (CLUB VIN) : 15 / 20



Nez frais, ronce, petits fruits rouges, petites notes cuites de pruneaux. Bouche ample, tannins souples, finale pointée asséchante.

03/05/2017 BETTANE & DESSEAUVE (BETTANE & DESSEAUVE) : 94-95 / 100



Ensemble harmonieux, au fruit bien dégagé, un rien trop « merlot » pour égaler les grands cantenacs, paradoxalement dominés par Palmer pourtant très riche en merlot mais avec une densité et un éclat évidemment supérieurs.

02/05/2017 WINE ADVOCATE (NEAL MARTIN) : 94-96 / 100



The 2016 Labégorce is a blend of 38% Cabernet Sauvignon, 52% Merlot, 8% Cabernet Franc and 4% Petit Verdot picked between 4-21 October and matured in 45% new oak. What I like about the bouquet is that it is quintessential Margaux—it could not come from anywhere else. Crushed violets infuse black cherries, blueberry and iodine. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannin, very well-judged acidity, an elegant and very charming Margaux with pencil lead and a touch of spice on the long finish. What a brilliant wine from a Margaux estate that has really upped its game.

27/04/2017 THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER (JEFF LEVE) : 91-93 / 100



Floral, black raspberry and just the right amount of dark chocolate on the nose, this wine is deeply colored with ripe, dark cherries, full body and a dusty, fruit filled finish. This could be the best vintage yet for Labégorce, as it offers length, volume and freshness. Made from a blend of 52% Merlot, 38% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Cabernet Franc and 4% Petit Verdot, the wine reached 13.5% alcohol with a pH of 3.7 and is being aged in 50% new, French oak barrels.

26/04/2017 VINOUS (ANTONIO GALLONI) : 89-91 / 100



The 2016 Labégorce is terrific. Pliant, supple and accessible, it offers considerable near- and medium-term appeal in a pliant, juicy style. Dark red fruit, grilled herbs, smoke, licorice and tobacco all flesh out nicely. The 2016 is powerful and dense, but also comes across as a bit less heavy than in the past. It will be interesting to see if that is more related to the vintage or a slightly stylistic shift. Time will tell. Tasted two times.

25/04/2017 MATTHEWJUKES.COM (MATTHEW JUKES) : 17 / 20



(52 Cabernet Sauvignon, 38 Merlot, 8 Cabernet Franc, 4 Petit Verdot) | 45% new oak | 13.8% alc. This is another coffee-scented wine with an espresso bean note pervading the dense dark fruit underneath. I like this trait a lot as it builds complexity and also complements the oak used (in fact it is probably linked). The fruit flavours are lovely and the finish is tight and keen and overall this is a very good effort for this Château. 17+

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24/04/2017 **DECANTER.COM (JANE ANSON) : 93 / 100**



Deep, rich extraction, black cherry in colour with very well controlled aromatics of damson and creamy cappuccino. This is a gorgeous wine and there are going to be many many fans of the contemporary but utterly controlled and well judged flavours on display here. Luscious and big, but everything has a reason for being where it is, nothing superfluous. One of the best ever from this property. Drinking Window 2027 - 2045

20/04/2017 **JANCIS ROBINSON (JANCIS ROBINSON) : 16,5 / 20**



Very scented. Maybe slightly tart but it delivers lots of flashy fruit. It does seem almost too sweet to me and the oak is not yet fully integrated.

19/04/2017 **WINE ENTHUSIAST (ROGER VOSS) : 94-96 / 100**



Barrel Sample. This wine is dry and firm, with ample tannins and density. It also has a rich side, which comes from ripe black fruit. Acidity at the end freshens the wine and provides balance.

10/04/2017 **WINE SPECTATOR (JAMES MOLESWORTH) : 91-94 / 100**



Fresh, featuring a racy edge of mesquite that melds with the energetic plum and boysenberry fruit flavors. Stays focused through the finish, picking up alluring spice notes.—J.M.

05/04/2017 **JAMESUCKLING.COM (JAMES SUCKLING) : 94-95 / 100**



This may be the best Labégorce ever. Full-bodied and dense yet vivid and energetic. Greatness in the making.