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A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from Pauillac, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 189 Jun 2010	Robert Parker	92	Drink: 2012 - 2027	\$250-\$320
<p>The 2000 Les Forts de Latour is a seriously endowed wine with notes of black walnuts, black currants, crushed rock, tobacco and spice box. Full-bodied, luscious but still in need of another 2-3 years to hit full maturity, it certainly can evolve for another 15 or more years, and looks to be slightly richer and longer-lived than I originally predicted.</p> <p>My original ratings appear to have been dead on the money for both of these efforts from Chateau Latour.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 146 Apr 2003	Robert Parker	91	Drink: 2007 - 2020	\$250-\$320 (50)
<p>A brilliant Forts de Latour, the 2000 boasts a dense ruby/purple color along with a vibrant nose of black currants intermixed with minerals, tobacco, and spice box. Medium to full-bodied, with loads of glycerin and fat (that nearly obscure some serious tannin), it will be drinkable between 2007-2020.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 139 Feb 2002	Robert Parker	(90-92)	Drink: 2010 - 2027	\$250-\$320 (50)
<p>The 2000 Forts de Latour (a blend of 60% Cabernet Sauvignon and 40% Merlot) elicited a big "wow" from me. Potentially one of the finest Forts de Latour ever made (clearly on a qualitative par with the 1982), it is extremely concentrated, powerful, dense. This sensational second wine should be at its best in 8-10 years, and drink well for twenty-five.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 134 Apr 2001	Robert Parker	(90-92)	Drink: 2001 - 2020	\$250-\$320
<p>Latour's second wine, the 2000 Forts de Latour, a blend of 65% Cabernet Sauvignon and 35% Merlot, is also top-flight. It boasts a dense ruby/purple color as well as aromas of chocolate, minerals, earth, cedar, and black fruits. The wine possesses refreshing underlying acidity, sweet tannin, and a full-bodied, long finish. It will be delicious young, but keep for two decades.</p>				

2000 Carruades de Lafite

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A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from Pauillac, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 146 Apr 2003	Robert Parker	90	Drink: 2003 - 2018	\$333-\$600 (45)
<p>A brilliant second wine, the 2000 Carruades de Lafite (51.4% Cabernet Sauvignon, 42.3% Merlot, 4.9% Cabernet Franc, and 1.4% Petit Verdot), aged in 10-15% new French oak, shows wonderfully sweet lead pencil shavings intermixed with an elegant black cherry and cassis nose. A wine of tremendous purity, medium body, and the tell-tale Lafite elegance, this is a gorgeous wine to drink now and over the next 12-15 years.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 139 Feb 2002	Robert Parker	(90-93)	Drink: 2004 - 2020	\$333-\$600 (35)
<p>A candidate for the finest Carruades de Lafite ever made, the 2000 (a blend of 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, and 5% Cabernet Franc) is deep, fat, plush, and layered with concentration and depth. Anticipated maturity: 2004-2020.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 134 Apr 2001	Robert Parker	(87-89)	Drink: 2003 - 2016	\$333-\$600
<p>The 2000 Carruades de Lafite, a blend of 51.4% Cabernet Sauvignon, 42.3% Merlot, and the rest Petit Verdot, reveals some of the same elegant, finesse-like character as well as notes of minerals, pencil shavings, cherries, wet stones, and subtle oak. Medium-bodied, stylish, and streamlined, it will be drinkable between 2003-2016</p>				

2000 Pavillon Rouge du Chateau Margaux

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A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from
Margaux, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 189 Jun 2010	Robert Parker	89	Drink: 2010 - 2015	\$150-\$228
<p>The 2000 Pavillon Rouge, exhibits a medium/dark ruby color with some lightening at the edge, notes of cedar, spice box, black cherries, and currants in very evolved style at full maturity. Drink it over the next 4-5 years.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 146 Apr 2003	Robert Parker	90	Drink: 2003 - 2018	\$150-\$228 (35)
<p>One of the finest examples I have tasted, the 2000 Pavillon Rouge du Chateau Margaux exhibits supple tannin along with big, sweet, luscious black currant flavors intermixed with hints of cedar, spice box, and vanilla. Plump and fleshy, with low acidity, it will offer delicious drinking now and over the next 10-15 years. Don't miss it.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 139 Feb 2002	Robert Parker	(88-90)	Drink: 2002 - 2017	\$150-\$228 (50)
<p>This excellent second wine, the 2000 Pavillon Rouge de Margaux is a fat, dense purple-colored offering with more obvious intensity and muscle. It will evolve nicely for 15 years.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 134 Apr 2001	Robert Parker	(89-90)	Drink: N/A	\$150-\$228
<p>Margaux's second wine, Pavillon Rouge de Chateau Margaux, has improved greatly. The 2000, a blend of 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Merlot, and 7% Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot, is a supple, delicious, flavorful effort. One of the finest Pavillons made to date, it should merit at least a 90-point score when bottled.</p>				

2000 Bahans-Haut-Brion

Bahans-Haut-Brion 

A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from Pessac Leognan, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 189 Jun 2010	Robert Parker	91	Drink: 2010 - 2016	\$79-\$162
<p>The 2000 Bahans Haut-Brion is fully mature, but I had indicated that back in 2003, giving it an anticipated maturity date of 2005-2016. Its smoky, soft berry fruit and notes of fresh porcini mushrooms intermixed with cigar tobacco and black currants are complex. This complexity is followed by a fleshy, elegant, silky wine to drink over the next 5-6 years.</p> <p>Haut-Brion can be among the trickiest Bordeaux to taste young, often needing a full decade before the extraordinary complexity that marks this terroir begins to emerge. I was thrilled to see how well both the second wine, Bahans Haut-Brion, and Haut-Brion performed in this tasting, and both scores are slight upgrades.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 146 Apr 2003	Robert Parker	90	Drink: 2005 - 2016	\$79-\$162 (35)
<p>The dark ruby/purple-colored, deep, rich, medium-bodied 2000 Bahans Haut-Brion exhibits scents of graphite, black cherry liqueur, cassis, and minerals. This second wine has a lot in common with its bigger sibling, displaying impressive volume, depth, and complexity. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2016.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 139 Feb 2002	Robert Parker	(88-91)	Drink: 2005 - 2016	\$79-\$162 (30)
<p>The deep, rich, medium-bodied 2000 Bahans-Haut-Brion exhibits scents of graphite, black cherry liqueur, cassis, and minerals. Anticipated maturity: 2005-2016.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 134 Apr 2001	Robert Parker	(88-90)	Drink: 2001 - 2013	\$79-\$162
<p>Consistently one of my favorite second wines is Bahans-Haut-Brion. The 2000 offers a tangy, ripe, red and black currant-scented perfume with earth and lead pencil notes in the background. It possesses elegance, purity, a round, medium-bodied, sweet attack, fine balance, and a nicely-knit finish. This wine should drink well for 10-12 years, possibly longer.</p>				

2000 Le Petit Mouton

Le Petit Mouton 

A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from
Pauillac, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 146 Apr 2003	Robert Parker	88	Drink: 2003 - 2015	\$40-\$50 (40)
<p>An unusual blend of 70% Cabernet Franc, 27% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 3% Merlot, the 2000 Le Petit Mouton is herbal and cedary, and just not my style, but I admire its singularity, purity, and overall balance. Drink it over the next 10-12 years.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 139 Feb 2002	Robert Parker	(88-91)	Drink: 2002 - 2017	\$40-\$50 (40)
<p>The 2000 Le Petit Mouton is somewhat monolithic, but reveals impressive concentration, power, depth, and fat. An atypical blend of 70% Cabernet Franc, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 5% Merlot, it has 15 years of aging potential.</p>				

2000 Les Pensees de Lafleur

A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from Pomerol, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 139 Feb 2002	Robert Parker	(88-90)	Drink: 2006 - 2017	\$199 (100)
<p>Lafleur's second wine, the 2000 Pensees de Lafleur, offers notes of chocolate (a characteristic I have never detected in the grand vin), medium to full body, huge concentration, and a rich, textured, muscular style. Very impressive, but different, it requires 4-5 years of cellaring, and should last for 15+.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 134 Apr 2001	Robert Parker	(89-91)	Drink: N/A	\$199
<p>I rarely get excited by second wines, but the terrific 2000 Pensees de Lafleur is a sleeper of the vintage. It offers glorious levels of black cherry fruit intermixed with liquid minerals presented in a medium to full-bodied, dense, supple style.</p>				

1998 La Grave a Pomerol

A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from Pomerol, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 134 Apr 2001	Robert Parker	90	Drink: 2001 - 2016	\$36 (36)
<p>Is this a "petit Petrus?" This estate is owned by Christian Moueix, and there is no question he has been upgrading the quality. While it does not have the weight, power, or volume of Petrus, the 1998 displays character similar to that of its more majestic sibling. The finest La Grave a Pomerol I have ever tasted, it boasts a deep ruby color as well as a gorgeously elegant, sweet, graceful perfume of jammy blackberries and cherries intermixed with toasty oak and mocha. Refined, with a savory mid-palate, medium body, ripe fruit, and admirable succulence as well as gracefulness, its tannin is beautifully integrated, and the wine is hedonistic and complex. Drink it over the next 12-15 years. A sleeper of the vintage!</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 128 Apr 2000	Robert Parker	(90-92)	Drink: 2002 - 2018	\$43 (43)
<p>This may be the finest La Grave a Pomerol (formerly La Grave Trigant de Boisset) ever produced. An opaque ruby/purple color and intense aromas of jammy blackberries and cherries are top-notch. This powerful yet supple-textured offering reveals lots of concentration and intensity. An elegantly-styled Pomerol, the 1998 is powerful, rich, and thick, yet it has not lost its early up-front appeal. Given the low acidity and ripe fruit, it will be drinkable young, but keep for 15+ years. Anticipated maturity: 2002-2018.</p>				

1998 Moulin St Georges

A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from St Emilion, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 134 Apr 2001	Robert Parker	89	Drink: 2001 - 2016	\$45-\$60 (22)
<p>Elegant blackberry, licorice, and mineral notes jump from the glass of this medium-weight, stylish, exceptionally pure offering. It reveals impressive levels of black fruits as well as nicely-integrated acidity, tannin, and wood. With decanting, this 1998 can be drunk now, but it promises to age well for 12-15 years.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 122 Apr 1999	Robert Parker	(87-88)	Drink: 2003 - 2014	\$45-\$60
<p>This is a fine effort. The 1998 Moulin St.-Georges exhibits a deep purple color, admirable intensity (primarily blackberries and minerals), high tannin, medium body, and a backward, eloquent personality. This wine requires 2-3 years of cellaring. Anticipated maturity: 2003-2014.</p>				

2005 Pavillon Blanc du Chateau Margaux

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A Bordeaux Blanc Blend Dry White Table wine from Margaux, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
In Asia # 0509 May 2009	Lisa Perrotti-Brown	93	Drink: 2009 - 2020	\$98-\$152
<p>Intense citrus and tropical fruit aromas of warm grapefruit, lemon curd, pineapple and a fair amount of cedar. The rich, full bodied palate provides refreshing medium to high acidity balancing the concentrated toasted almond and lemon pie flavours. Long finish with a pleasant touch phenolic grip from the new oak. Just starting to be approachable. Drink now to 2020+. Tasted February 2009.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 176 Apr 2008	Robert Parker	93	Drink: N/A	\$98-\$152 (55)
<p>This stunningly rich 100% Sauvignon Blanc is drinking fabulously well at present, yet it has the potential to evolve for 15-20 more years. Waxy lemon oil, honeysuckle, nectarine, and subtle new oak characteristics are all present in this light gold-colored, long wine.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 170 Apr 2007	Robert Parker	94	Drink: N/A	\$98-\$152
<p>2005 is an excellent vintage possessing high acidity as well as impressive levels of weight, richness, and texture.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 164 Apr 2006	Robert Parker	(92-94)	Drink: N/A	\$98-\$152
<p>Another excellent vintage for Bordeaux's dry whites, which tend to be vastly underrated and exceptionally long-lived (30-40 years in some cases). The 2005s possess crisp acidity as well as serious weight, richness, and texture. Space constraints did not allow full tasting notes, but this is one of the top 2005 dry white Bordeaux wines.</p>				

2005 Aile d'Argent Blanc

Aile d'Argent 

A Bordeaux Blanc Blend Dry White Table wine from Pauillac, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 176 Apr 2008	Robert Parker	91	Drink: 2008 - 2013	\$51-\$64 (55)
<p>Perhaps the finest white wine yet produced by Mouton Rothschild, this 2005 offers lovely notes of honeysuckle, tropical fruits, crushed rocks, and subtle wood. It is a delicious generic Bordeaux to consume over the next 4-5 years.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 170 Apr 2007	Robert Parker	92	Drink: N/A	\$51-\$64
<p>2005 is an excellent vintage possessing high acidity as well as impressive levels of weight, richness, and texture.</p>				
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2000 Le Petit Cheval

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A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from
St Emilion, Bordeaux, France

Source	Reviewer	Rating	Maturity	Current (Release) Cost
Wine Advocate # 189 Jun 2010	Robert Parker	87	Drink: N/A	\$125
<p>The fully mature 2000 Le Petit Cheval reveals some herbal notes interwoven with sweet red currants. Medium-bodied with lots of spice and menthol, the wine tails off in the mouth. It needs to be drunk up.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add to Print List</p>				
Wine Advocate # 146 Apr 2003	Robert Parker	90	Drink: 2003 - 2018	\$125 (70)
<p>For those not lucky or rich enough to purchase the 2000 Cheval Blanc, there is an alternative ... the 2000 Le Petit Cheval. This offering has often been an afterthought, but the 2000 possesses some of its bigger sibling's character. A blend of equal parts Merlot and Cabernet Franc (40% of the production made it into this wine), it does not have the mass or depth of the Cheval, but this exceptional effort offers sweet, concentrated, plush flavors, wonderful opulence, and lovely density. This beauty will be drinkable upon release, and will last for 12-15 years. Believe it or not, the 2000 Le Petit Cheval is better than some vintages of Cheval Blanc have been over the last two decades.</p>				
Wine Advocate # 134 Apr 2001	Robert Parker	(90-92)	Drink: 2001 - 2016	\$125
<p>The 2000 Le Petit Cheval has often been an afterthought. A blend of equal parts Merlot and Cabernet Franc (40% of the production made it into this wine), this exceptional effort offers sweet, concentrated, plush flavors, wonderful opulence, and super density. This beauty will be drinkable upon release, and will last for 12-15 years.</p>				