

# CHÂTEAU BONALGUE

2009

**WINE SPECTATOR - April 2010: 89-92**

Blueberry and licorice aromas, with hints of violet. Full-bodied, with a pretty core of fruit and milk chocolate and a finely textured finish. - J.S.

**THE WINE JOURNAL - Neal Martin, April 2010: 89-91**

Tasted at the Pomerol Syndicate tasting. A blend of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc, the Bonalgue is light and fresh on the nose with dark, dusky black fruit laced with mulberry and a touch of espresso. Gaining definition in the glass. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannins, good backbone here with blackberry, black pepper, a touch of smoke and spice on the finish. Not a complex Pomerol, yet well crafted and showing great typicité and personality towards the finish. Very fine and classical in style. Tasted April 2010.

**WEINWISSER - April 2010: 17-18/20**

Mit Beauséjour Bécot, La Conseillante and Clos Fourtet.

**JANCISROBINSON.COM - April 2010: 15,5/20**

Mid blackish crimson. Polished, ripe nose. A bit coarse and raw. Drink 2016-2023

**JEAN-MARC QUARIN - April 2010: 14,75-15/20**

Jolie couleur bordeaux pourpre, nez fruité, vanillé. Bouche arrondie à la texture veloutée, au corps moyen. Tannicité bien enveloppée. Finale savoureuse de longueur moyenne.

**LE POINT - May 2010: 15,5**

Epicées, poivré, bouche ronde, savoureuse, chocolatée, petits tanins gras, crémeux, belle finale noisette, joli vin équilibré, fin, séduisant et ne manquant pas de fond.

O = 2015 G = 15 ans

**LE FIGARO CLUB VIN - June 2010: 89-91**

Robe sombre. Nez fruits rouges. En bouche, souple et plein, belle matière, joli fond, tannins un peu agressifs.

**THE NEW BORDEAUX– Jane Anson, February 2011: 92+**

This is good, nice weight of fruit, it builds nicely and is quite understated, unlike some years where this is a very flamboyant wine. But this is very good, with great potential.

Owned by Pierre and Jean-Baptiste Bourotte, with 95% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc.

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**THE WINE ADVOCATE - Robert Parker, February 2011: 89**

Another sleeper of the vintage from this very consistent estate that always seems to over-achieve no matter what the vintage conditions, big, ripe black cherry and mocha notes intermixed with some forest floor and underbrush jump from the glass of this seductive, dense, full-bodied, fleshy fruit bomb from Pomerol. It is rich, pure, and just irresistible. Drink it over the next 7-8 years: 2012 - 2020

**LA REVUE DU VIN DE FRANCE - August 2011: 16/20**

Toujours un supplément de saveurs parmi les « bourgeois » de Pomerol : notes d'humus, de fruits noirs et une pointe de truffe. Joli classique à boire sur vingt ans.

**ANTHOCYANES – October/December 2013**

Page 20: Le boisé est présent et prend le dessus sur l'ensemble de l'aromatique par des notes de cèdre, de fumé et de tabac. Belle matière, de la densité, de la profondeur et des aromatiques toujours sur le bois qui apportent un peu d'austérité des tanins en finale.