

2019 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Tasting - Results

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PLEASE NOTE: Page 4 lists which wine is in which jar/bottle. Don't discuss the wine names until after voting is closed.

Wine Details:

Voting Instructions:

- 1) Go To cellarsocietysf.org
- 2) Choose "Members Only" from the Menu. Password is "*****".
- 3) Choose "Cast Votes" from the "Online Voting" section.

Price range is \$34.99 to \$64.99.

Alcohol range is 13.5% to 16%.

6 wines are 80% to 95% Grenache.

2 wines are 60% to 65% Grenache.

Blind Tasting Wines

	Wine Description	Bottle #	Group Rank	Points	My Rank	Reviews
A	<u>2019 Domaine Chante Cigale Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	8	5 th	128		<p><u>92 points</u> Vinous: "Spice-accented dark berry and cherry on the nose, along with suggestions of garrigue, baking spices and licorice. Juicy black raspberry, bitter cherry and floral pastille flavors show tight focus and become deeper and sweeter with air. The spicy note resonates on a clinging, energetic finish shaped by smooth, well-knit tannins. (JR)" (10/2020)</p> <p><u>93 points</u> Decanter: "A very well balanced and succulent Châteauneuf with a good length of fruit. It's not the most complex, but it's generously fruity and vibrant. Grenache grown on sand in lieu-dit Pignan. (MW)" (4/2020)</p> <p>Grenache 65%, Syrah 20%, Mourvèdre 10%, Cinsault 5%</p> <p>\$34.99 at K&L 15% alcohol</p>
B	<u>2019 Domaine de Saint-Prefert Chateauneuf du Pape</u>	6	2 nd	115		<p><u>93 points</u> Vinous: "Shimmering ruby-red. Expressive, smoke- and mineral-accented red fruit and floral scents show fine definition and pick up a spicy accent with air. Sappy and penetrating on the palate, offering appealingly sweet raspberry, cherry and candied lavender flavors that deepen slowly through the midpalate. Shows solid, spicy thrust on a long, smooth finish framed by velvety tannins. This is an exceptional example of an entry-level Châteauneuf-du-Pape. (JR)" (10/2021)</p> <p><u>93 points</u> Jeb Dunnuck: "Gorgeous black raspberries, strawberry, spring flowers, incense, and assorted Provençal spice notes all emerge from the 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape, a medium to full-bodied, incredibly pure, utterly seamless 2019 that excels on all accounts. Madame Ferando continues to knock it out of the park in just about every vintage, and this is well worth seeking out. The base cuvée is 85% Grenache and 5% each of Syrah, Mourvèdre, and Cinsault, aged all in concrete tanks." (11/2021)</p> <p>Grenache 85%, Syrah 5%, Mourvèdre 5%, Cinsault 5%</p> <p>\$44.94 at JJ Buckley 13.5% alcohol</p>

Blind Tasting Wines (cont'd)

	Wine Description	Bottle #	Group Rank	Points	My Rank	Reviews
C	<u>2019 Domaine Giraud "Tradition" Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	2	4 th	124		<p><u>93 points Vinous:</u> " Vivid ruby. Spice-accented black raspberry and cherry aromas are complemented by suggestions of garrigue and succulent flowers. Supple and seamless in texture, offering appealingly sweet and well-concentrated red berry, cherry liqueur and lavender pastille flavors sharpened by a spicy jolt of white pepper. Finishes on a repeating floral note, showing excellent clarity and polished tannins. Giraud's entry-level bottling has been going from strength to strength in recent vintages. (JR)" (10/2021)</p> <p><u>93 points Jeb Dunnuck:</u> "The classic cuvée from this brilliant estate, the 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape is based on 80% Grenache, 15% Syrah, and 5% Mourvèdre that was raised mostly in concrete tanks, with the balance in old barrels. Lots of ripe black cherries, new leather, Provençal herbs, licorice, and loamy earth define the bouquet, and this beautiful wine is medium to full-bodied, with silky, ripe tannins, no hard edges, and a great finish. It's a brilliant wine to buy a case of and enjoy over the coming 10-15 years. (11/2021)</p> <p>Grenache 80%, Syrah 15%, Mourvèdre 5%</p> <p>\$49.99 at K&L 15.5% alcohol</p>
D	<u>2019 Château de la Font du Loup Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	3	3 rd	123		<p><u>93 points Jeb Dunnuck:</u> "Moving to the 2019s, the deeper ruby-hued 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape checks in as 60% Grenache, 20% Mourvèdre, 15% Syrah, and 5% Cinsault. Gorgeous framboise and jammy strawberry fruits as well as flowers, spice, and herbes de Provence-like notes all emerge on the nose, and it's medium to full-bodied, with a layered, seamless texture, ultra-fine tannins, and a great finish. It's one of the bigger, sexier wines I've tasted from this estate, yet it still plays in the seamless, elegant style of the estate beautifully. It will evolve for over a decade." (11/2021)</p> <p>Grenache 60%, Syrah 15%, Mourvèdre 20%, Cinsault 5%</p> <p>\$54.99 at K&L 14.5% alcohol</p>
E	<u>2019 Le Clos du Caillou "Les Safres" Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	7	7 th	152		<p><u>94 points Vinous:</u> " Highly perfumed blueberry, cherry, spicecake and potpourri scents and a hint of exotic spices on the expressive nose. Juicy and appealingly sweet, offering vibrant red and blue fruit, lavender and spicecake flavors that steadily deepen as the wine opens up. In a graceful style, with polished tannins giving shape to an impressively long, sappy finish. (JR)" (10/2021)</p> <p><u>93-95 points Jeb Dunnuck:</u> "Leading off the 2019 Châteauneuf du Pape, all of which were tasted from barrel, the 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape Les Safres should equal or surpass the 2018 as it has the same level of elegance and finesse, yet even better mid-palate depth and concentration. It's beautifully done and well worth purchasing." (10/2020)</p> <p><u>96 points Decanter:</u> "Blackberry, star anise and juniper. Only medium-bodied for a Châteauneuf, but this has plenty of impact and intensity. Lovely bright acid line and sense of freshness from start to finish. Silky and voluptuous. (MW)" (10/2020)</p> <p><u>92-94 points Robert Parker's Wine Advocate:</u> "The 2019 Châteauneuf du Pape Les Safres is impressively rich and ripe, delivering velvety layers of black cherries and blueberries, combined with hints of dried spices and dark chocolate. Full-bodied, expansive in the mouth and long on the finish, it looks to be an excellent example of Les Safres, which is 95% Grenache from Les Bedines. (JC)" (9/2020)</p> <p><u>17.5/20 points Jancis Robinson:</u> "Heavy nose which shows dark, animal, spicy notes. Lovely fleshy note alongside a really balanced core of acidity and high-quality oak. The fruit here is so well-managed and clean and there is a vibrancy to the wine that just sings. Ding-dong! (AC)" (10/2020)</p> <p>Grenache 95%, Syrah ?, Mourvèdre ?, Cinsault ?%</p> <p>\$54.99 at K&L 14.5% alcohol</p>

Blind Tasting Wines (cont'd)

	Wine Description	Bottle #	Group Rank	Points	My Rank	Reviews
F	<u>2019 Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe "Piedlong" Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	5	8 th	159		<p><u>93 points Vinous</u>: "Bright ruby. Ripe red and blue fruits, potpourri garrigue and baking spices on the expansive nose. Appealingly sweet cherry, boysenberry, black raspberry and floral pastille flavors show a hint of white pepper that adds spicy lift. Well concentrated but comes off lively thanks to a core of juicy acidity. Shows strong floral punch on the long, gently tannic finish, which leaves a hint of cherry cola behind. (JR)" (10/2021)</p> <p><u>93 points Jeb Dunnuck</u>: "Bottled in July, the 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape Piedlong offers more pure Grenache character in its perfumed red fruits, wild strawberries, flowers, and loamy earth-like aromas and flavors. It's elegant, medium to full-bodied, and balanced. It doesn't have the complexity of the top wine here, but it's just a beautiful, elegant wine." (11/2021)</p> <p>Grenache 90%, Mourvèdre 10%</p> <p>\$59.99 at K&L 14.5% alcohol</p>
G	<u>2019 Domaine de Ferrand Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	4	1 st	113		<p><u>95 points Jeb Dunnuck</u>: "Beautiful violets, wildflowers, Asian spices, lavender, and Bing cherry fruits all soar from the glass of the 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape. This full-bodied, beautifully textured, seamless 2019 brings the richness of the vintage while staying light on its feet, elegant, and perfectly balanced. While the acidity is quite low (I'm sure the pH is quite high), this will age on its balance and concentration. Hats off to Philippe Bravey for another singular Châteauneuf du Pape that readers will love to have in their cellars. As usual, the blend is 85% Grenache, with the balance other permitted varieties, brought up completely in tank. It can be drunk any time over the coming 15 years or more." (11/2021)</p> <p><u>K&L Notes</u>: "(steel/concrete vat) full red colour; the nose has a biscuity, crushed nutshells air, red berry and plum fruit at its centre, with a discreet floral, scented presence that appeals. The palate bustles with vigour on the attack, mixes its thrusting content with live tannins that need time to refine. There is a lot in the locker in this very genuine Châteauneuf, and it represents its place well, the slightly fibrous nature of this quartier near Orange. There is implicit power, strength on the persistent finish, a note of iodine there. From 2024. 2045-47. (JLL)" (3/2021)</p> <p>Grenache 85%, Syrah ?, Mourvèdre ?, Cinsault ?%</p> <p>\$59.99 at K&L 15% alcohol</p>
H	<u>2019 Domaine de Marcoux Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	1	6 th	130		<p><u>94 points Vinous</u>: "Bright ruby. Vibrant, spice-accented aromas of raspberry and cherry liqueur, incense and pungent flowers are accompanied by a smoky mineral nuance that builds in the glass. Deep-pitched yet impressively lively as well, offering intense red and dark berry liqueur and floral pastille flavors that stain the palate and show superb clarity and minerally lift. Closes extremely long, focused and lively, with silky tannins framing the wine's sweet fruit. This is about as good as a "basic" Châteauneuf gets. (JR)" (10/2021)</p> <p><u>93 points Decanter</u>: "A rounded and generous style, very soft and ripe in fruit but with a firm acid core. Feels in better harmony than some this vintage. Good freshness, a complete wine. Lieux-dits L'Arnesque, Beau Renard, La Bigote, Les Gallimardes, mostly galets roulés. Drinking Window 2022 - 2028. (MW)" (10/2020)</p> <p><u>93 points Jeb Dunnuck</u>: "The 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape showed beautifully, with a ripe, classic, Provençal bouquet of black raspberry, strawberries, and darker berry fruits as well as spice, garrigue, and pepper. Beautifully textured, full-bodied, yet all about finesse and elegance, it's overflowing with character and charm. It's going to shine for 15 years with no issues." (11/2021)</p> <p>Grenache 85%, Syrah 5%, Mourvèdre 5%, Cinsault 5%</p> <p>\$64.99 at K&L 16% alcohol</p>

2019 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Tasting - Wine Reveal

Bottle #	8	6	2	3	7	5	4	1
Wine Name	<u>2019 Domaine Chante Cigale Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	<u>2019 Domaine de Saint-Prefert Châteauneuf du Pape</u>	<u>2019 Domaine Giraud "Tradition" Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	<u>2019 Château de la Font du Loup Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	<u>2019 Le Clos du Caillou "Les Safres" Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	<u>2019 Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe "Piedlong" Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	<u>2019 Domaine de Ferrand Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>	<u>2019 Domaine de Marcoux Châteauneuf-du-Pape</u>
Label								
Price	\$34.99	\$44.94	\$49.99	\$54.99	\$54.99	\$59.99	\$59.99	\$64.99
Store	www.klwines.com	www.jjbuckley.com	www.klwines.com	www.klwines.com	www.klwines.com	www.klwines.com	www.klwines.com	www.klwines.com
Bottle Letter	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Group Rank	5	2	4	3	7	8	1	6
Points	128	115	124	123	152	159	113	130
My Rank								
Notes								

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Wine Score Sheet

Tasting _____

Taster _____

Host _____

Date _____

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Bottle	Appearance 3 Max	Aroma / Bouquet 6 Max	Taste / Texture 6 Max	Aftertaste 3 Max	Overall Impression 2 Max	Total Score 20 Max	My Rank	Group Rank	Group Score	Wine	Price Where
1											
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See reverse side for scoring guidelines. Using 1/2 points is acceptable.

APPEARANCE

3 - Excellent	- Brilliant with outstanding characteristic color.
2 - Good	- Clear with characteristic color.
1 - Poor	- Slight haze and/or slight off color.
0 - Objectionable	- Cloudy and/or off color.

AROMA AND BOUQUET

6 - Extraordinary	- Unmistakable characteristic aroma of grape-variety or wine-type. Outstanding and complex bouquet. Exceptional balance of aroma and bouquet.
5 - Excellent	- Characteristic aroma. Complex bouquet. Well balanced.
4 - Good	- Characteristic aroma. Distinguishable bouquet.
3 - Acceptable	- Slight aroma and bouquet. Pleasant.
2 - Deficient	- No perceptible aroma or bouquet or with slight off odors.
1 - Poor	- Off odors.
0 - Objectionable	- Objectionable or offensive odors.

TASTE AND TEXTURE

6 - Extraordinary	- Unmistakable characteristic flavor of grape-variety or wine-type. Extraordinary balance. Smooth, full-bodied and overwhelming.
5 - Excellent	- All of the above but a little less. Excellent but not overwhelming.
4 - Good	- Characteristic grape-variety or wine-type flavor. Good balance. Smooth. May have minor imperfections.
3 - Acceptable	- Undistinguished wine but pleasant. May have minor off flavors. May be slightly out of balance, and/or somewhat thin or rough.
2 - Deficient	- Undistinguished wine with more pronounced faults than above.
1 - Poor	- Disagreeable flavors, poorly balanced, and/or unpleasant texture.
0 - Objectionable	- Objectionable or offensive flavors and/or texture.

AFTERTASTE

3 - Excellent	- Lingering outstanding aftertaste.
2 - Good	- Pleasant aftertaste.
1 - Poor	- Little or no distinguishable aftertaste.
0 - Objectionable	- Unpleasant aftertaste.

OVERALL IMPRESSION**TOTAL SCORES**

2 - Excellent	18 - 20	Extraordinary
1 - Good	15 - 17	Excellent
0 - Poor	12 - 14	Good
	9 - 11	Commercially Acceptable
	6 - 8	Deficient
	0 - 5	Poor and Objectionable