



Millésime 2018 / 2018 vintage

## Dégustations en bouteille

*“Violets, blackcurrants, cloves, tobacco, orange zest and dark chocolate on the nose. It’s medium to full-bodied with firm, silky tannins and fresh acidity. Sleek and refined with elegant floral and spice notes on a long finish. Interesting hint of bitterness at the end. Try from 2025.”*

James Suckling, JamesSuckling.com, Janvier 2021

Score: 97/100

*“One of my favorite wines, the 2018 Château Pavie Macquin is 78% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc and the rest Cabernet Sauvignon that comes from a cooler terroir above Pavie. This Cuvée is always hard to judge in its youth, since it’s often closed and reserved, but it builds beautifully with bottle age and offers an incredibly classic, complex, powerful, and elegant profile at maturity. Brought up in 70% new French oak, the 2018 reveals a dense purple hue as well as classic Saint-Émilion notes of cassis, black cherries, white truffle, chalky minerality, violets, and tobacco. Playing in the medium to full-bodied end of the spectrum, it has polished tannins, a wonderfully pure, elegant texture, and the balance and class to benefit from a decade of bottle age and keep for three decades or more.”*

Jeb Dunnuck, JebDunnuck.com, Mars 2021

Score: 97+/100

*“Sleek, pure, aromatic and streamlined version, with lovely cassis, cherry puree, violet and mesquite notes tightly wound together, while anise and savory hints peek in. Long finish is carried by chalky minerality. A wine of poise. Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon. Best from 2024 through 2037. 5,500 cases made. — JM”*

James Molesworth, Wine Spectator, Mars 2021

Score: 96/100

*“The 2018 Pavie Macquin was impressive out of barrel. It has retained its opulent bouquet, perhaps becoming even more luxuriant and plush, offering copious black cherries, cassis and violet aromas and hints of vanilla pod and iodine in the background. The palate is where this really impresses, because its opulence is effortlessly counterbalanced by a bead of acidity that imparts freshness and tension. This is a multilayered Pavie-Macquin endowed with tremendous length on the aftertaste. Even after 60 seconds I can still feel this Saint-Émilion lapping upon my senses. Superb.”*

Neal Martin, Vinous, Mars 2021

Score : 96/100

*“The knockout nose, with all its sensations of cherry, plum liqueur, smoke, licorice, kirsch, flowers and boysenberry is all you need to know this is great wine. On the palate, the wine meshes silk and velvet textured fruits with minerality seamlessly. Long, intense, expansive, stony and character driven, this is going to offer sublime tasting experiences if you can wait for at least 7 years before pulling a cork. The wine blends 78% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc and 2% Cabernet Sauvignon.”*

Jeff Leve, The Wine Cellar Insider, Mars 2021

Score: 97/100

« En 2018, Pavie Macquin a certainement une des plus belles aptitudes à mettre en valeur son terroir et son élevage. Le bouquet est complexe et révèle de subtiles nuances florales, fruitées (cerises, framboises), crayeuses et, finalement, un soupçon de truffes noires. En bouche, le vin se révèle très doucement en bouche pour affirmer cette notion de force tranquille, de finesse, de puissance mesurée. Les tannins sont élégants, fins, parfaitement en phase avec la vivacité et la précision de la structure. Un vin qui brille par sa subtilité et son aptitude à se révéler lentement, étape par étape, en affichant une agréable fraîcheur en fin de bouche. 2026-2050 »

Yves Beck, Beckustator, Décembre 2020

Score : 98/100

## Primeurs

“This is just so good. Not overly big, it has nuance, sapidity and grace, with space between the lines. It’s not sacrificing its concentration but it gives you a chance to get onboard and accompany it along the way. I love the quality of the brambled blackberry and loganberry fruit here, and the touch of austerity that gives a welcome note of bitter chocolate to the finish. It has great tannic grip and there’s no question that this will age well, but it’s also extremely drinkable now. Tasted several times, and each occasion blew me away. My favourite vintage to date from this property. 47hl/ha yields, as in 2016. Drinking Window 2027 - 2042.”

Jane Anson, Decanter « Top-scores », Avril 2019

Score: 98/100

“This is a decadent and beautiful young wine with wild aromas and flavors of meat, wet earth and plums. Very complex. Full-bodied yet soft and very velvety. The tannins melt into the wine, as if they aren’t there. Extremely long finish.”

James Suckling, JamesSuckling.com, Avril 2019

Score: 97-98/100

“Packed with very expressive boysenberry and red currant paste aromas and flavors, this is dense and fleshy in feel, but has the energy to easily carry it off. Lots of chalky cut on the long finish. Rock-solid.”

James Molesworth, Wine Spectator, Avril 2019

Score: 95-98/100

“It has a dark, brooding and yet perfumed nose, one laced with violet and peony scents, with some smoky and sooty nuances. It feels very pure, fresh, bright and confident. The palate shows a full, rich, perfumed and texturally confident style, one laden with bright black cherry and perfumed black plum notes, with a lightly desiccated concentration, and a rich, full and polished substance. A very impressive style, ripe and brooding with structure, through to the long, tannin-infused finish. This is hugely impressive, intense and complex, richly structured although the tannins feel so fine, tightly knit and highly polished. A true grand vin, and a great result for a cuvée led by Merlot. Tasted twice.”

Chris Kissack, Wine Doctor, Avril 2019

Score: 97-99/100

“The licorice, smoke, plum liqueur, boysenberry and floral aromas are breathtaking. And then you get to your palate, which feels like velvet and tastes like pure essence off the vine while offering a melange of berries ranging from black to blue to red.”

Jeff Leve, The Wine Cellar Insider, Avril 2019

Score: 97-99/100

“From a cooler, pure limestone terroir just over the hill from Château Pavie, the 2018 Château Pavie Macquin offers an incredible assortment of red and black fruits, cedary spice, white truffle, graphite, and beautiful minerality. Showing the cooler, complex, concentrated style of the vineyard, it’s full-bodied and powerful on the palate, with no shortage of extract or tannins. The wine always has a healthy pH and needs bottle age to show at its best. A solid 7-8 years are warranted here,

*and it will keep for 2-3 decades. The 2018 is 78% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc, and 2% Cabernet Sauvignon, representing 90% of the total production. I think this estate has been underrated in the market and it can still be found for reasonable prices. It ages beautifully and I doubt you could have too much in the cellar.”*

Jeb Dunnuck, [JebDunnuck.com](http://JebDunnuck.com), Mai 2019

Score: 97-99/100

*« Ma meilleure note donnée à ce cru en primeur. Quel vin ! Couleur rouge sombre, de bonne intensité, belle et profonde. Nez intense, fin, au fruité mûr, complexe et profond. Pour la première fois, ce vin débute aérien en bouche. Il avance gras, complexe et profond au milieu sur des notes de cerise noire. Il vient s'achever très long, savoureux et noble sur le grain de tannin le plus beau jamais vu ici. Pavie Macquin livre ici une expression quintessentielle de son terroir et le plus grand millésime de son histoire. Bravo ! J'ajoute qu'il n'est pas impossible que la note monte encore en fin d'élevage (cf le 2016). Ce succès est induit par le rapport particulièrement équilibré entre la climatologie de 2018 et la nature argilo calcaire plutôt froide de ce terroir au pH bas. »*

Jean-Marc Quarin, [quarin.com](http://quarin.com), Avril 2019

Score: 19/20

*« Nez épicé, un peu moka, très belles notes de fruits noirs avec un éclat de fruits noirs "al dente" magnifique. Bouche charnue, dense avec une belle patine des tanins et une fraîcheur émotionnelle remarquable. Grosse charge tannique (un peu amère), sans que cela ne soit trop imposant, avec densité et puissance. Un Pavie Macquin fougueux parti pour une longue garde, une très longue garde (25 à 40 ans). »*

Yohan Castaing, [Anthocyanes](http://Anthocyanes.com), Avril 2019

Score: 96-98/100

*“The 2018 Pavie Macquin is deep garnet-purple colored and a little closed to begin, slowly revealing subtle notions of dark chocolate, candied violets and rose hip tea over a core of plum preserves, blueberry compote and cherry coulis plus wafts of woodsmoke and crushed stones. Full-bodied, the palate has a seriously impressive structure of ripe, firm, velvety tannins and bold freshness carrying off all that rich black fruit, finishing very long and mineral laced.”*

Lisa Perrotti-Brown, [Wine Advocate](http://WineAdvocate.com), Avril 2019

Score: 95-97/100

*« Depuis 2016, le profil de ce cru s'est encore tendu et affiné. L'acidité propre au terroir va comme un gant au millésime. Le fruit, très frais, veiné de menthe poivrée, fait corps avec une structure élancée et vibrante. Grande réussite ! »*

Pierre Citerne, [La Revue du Vin de France](http://LaRevueDuVinDeFrance.com), Avril 2019

Score: 17-18/20

*« Une personnalité à part. Un nez très complet avec des notes de groseille, de vanille et une minéralité prononcée qui laisse place à une bouche soyeuse et racée. »*

Gabrielle Vizzavona, [Le Figaro Vin](http://LeFigaroVin.com) « Sélection des meilleurs vins et coups de cœur », Avril 2019

Score: 17.5/20

*“Dark purple colour with violet hue and almost black core. A wonderful Pavie Macquin with great complexity. Great nose with expressive character, opulent fruit, ripe plums, sweet elderberries, mulberries and blackberries, hints of gingerbread spices in the background. On the palate excellent structure, depth and length, dense structure, freshness and precision, sweet fruit and ripe tannins, discreet roasting flavour and spiciness in the finish. A multi-layered wine with great balance.”*

Markus del Monego MW, Avril 2019

Score: 97/100

*« Pourpre violacé. Quel nez ! Intense, invitant, convaincant. Beaucoup de subtilité, de complexité, avec des notes où cohabitent élevage, terroirs et fruits. Parfums de cerises, griottes et menthe, suivis de notes crayeuses et de fèves de cacao. Que de profondeur, complexité. Au palais, le vin est compact, ample, crémeux et doté d'une belle structure qui lui confère*

*de la vivacité et de la race. Les tannins sont compacts, suaves, aux grains très fins et en parfaite symbiose avec la structure acide. Il y a de la grâce, du nerf, de la friandise, de la race et beaucoup de fruit en finale. Quelle tension et quelle énergie. »*

Yves Beck, Beckustator, Avril 2019

Score: 98-99/100

*« Le nez est intense, expansif sur les baies et la violette. Corps monumental avec une dimension charnue étonnante et une fraîcheur préservée idéale. Belle finale soutenue. Beaucoup d'intensité et de force de goût sur ce vin qui, dans ce millésime, tire totalement partie de son terroir frais et se distingue par sa dynamique. Finale très précise. »*

Jacques Perrin, Vinifera, Mai 2019

Score: 96-98/100