



### REVUE DE PRESSE - NOTES DE DEGUSTATION

### PRESS REVIEW - TASTING SCORES

**Wine Spectator : 91-94**

avril 2011 - James Molesworth

Shows friendly moka and roasted tobacco up front, followed by a mouthfilling core of blackberry, plum and cassis. This dense but velvety finish has nice latent grip.

**Decanter : 17**

Well-extracted ripe cassis fruit both briary and rich, good fragrance and purity, structure and length, right up with its 5<sup>th</sup> growth peer. Drink 2017 – 28

**Robert Parker's Wine Advocate : 91-93**     *May 2011*

The finest Haut-Bages-Liberal I have tasted in many years, this sleeper of the vintage exhibits a blue/purple hue as well as projected aromatics of blue and black fruits, spring flowers and subtle background oak. Full-bodied with moderately high tannins, a layered mouthfeel and a long finish, it should be at its best between 2017 and 2035.

**James Suckling : 92-93**     *April 2011*

A balanced young wine, with smoky, blackberry and chewy aromas and flavors. Full and velvety, with a fresh finish.

**Neal Martin, Wine Advocate : 90-92**     *April 2011*

Tasted at the chateau and at the UGC, cropped at 42hl/ha, the Haut-Bages-Liberal 28% Merlot and 72% Cabernet Sauvignon, this has a very well defined nose of blackberry, briary, wild hedgerow and a touch of crushed stone. With a little aeration there is a touch of oyster shell. The palate is medium-bodied with very fine, quite succulent tannins on the entry that belies the backbone underneath. Good grip, though showing more silkiness under sunny skies and high pressure the following week at the UGC.

**Dina Viner : 93-95**                      May 2011

Mjuk, homogen mogen doft med läcker balans och fräschör. Fyllig attraktiv smakrikedom med harmoni och balans, fin eftersmak. Läder.

**Gault et Millau : 17**                      Mai 2011

Tout en délicatesse avec une texture de dentelle entre minéralité, floral et petits fruits des bois. Il n'impressionne pas les papilles mais quelle longueur savoureuse et subtile !

**La Revue du Vin de France : 16-17**    Mai 2011

Le château a choisi de privilégier l'élégance, en menant des extractions modérées. Il en résulte un vin fin et très agréable, sur le fruit. Les tanins sont soyeux et le cœur de bouche demeure bien croquant.