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Millésime / Vintage 2019

97-100 / 100

The 2019 Château Léoville Poyferré is a Cabernet Sauvignon-dominated blend that includes 27% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc, and 3% Petit Verdot. It's a classic wine from this address, with a dense purple color as well as a blockbuster nose of blackberries, cassis, chocolate, toasted spices, graphite, and tobacco. This flamboyant, full-bodied, opulent wine has a massive, sexy texture, sweet tannins, and a finish that won't quit. It's better than the 2000, 2003, 2005, 2015, and 2016 and reminds me of the 2009 with its oversized yet balanced, beautiful profile. The alcohol checks in at just over 14%, but it isn't noticeable in the least. Buy this rock star by the case! **Jeb Dunnuck**

JEB DUNNUCK

97-99 / 100

It shows an impressive density, a black tulip hue, opaque, glossy and shimmering. The nose is just a powerhouse of dark fruits, dried blackcurrant, black olive, crushed limestone, toast, soot and peony, a hugely imposing and very impressive style. The palate, meanwhile, is just divine, brimming with textural confidence, carrying the dark, concentrated and fragrant fruits of the nose, all swirled with beautifully ripe tannins. A real grand vin, so complete and balanced, and yet imposing, loaded with ripe structure, yet carrying it so beautifully, with vigorous acid-driven freshness as well. The finish is all tannin-coated fruit, the structure dominant but never feeling over-the top. An incredible wine which combines all the very best elements of the vintage, and it does it all with such panache.



Markus Del Monego

97 / 100

Dark purple colour with violet hue and black core. Sophisticated aroma reminiscent of blackberries, blackcurrants, sweet elderberries, vanilla, balmy spices, hints of toasted oak in the background. On the palate excellent style with great purity and elegance, freshness and complexity. A gorgeous wine with excellent tension on the palate, a real character.

97 / 100

Le nez est élégant, racé et offre de l'intensité ainsi que de la profondeur. (...) La bouche est fruitée, élégante, gourmande et offre une jolie définition, de la précision, de la gourmandise, de la tension, une jolie finesse de la guideline ainsi qu'une jolie puissance. (...) Belle persistance. Une pointe discrète de noisette toasté sur la fin de bouche/persistance.

Jonathan Chicheportiche





Antonio Galloni
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96-98 / 100

The 2019 Léoville-Poyferré has a typically seductive bouquet with layers of ripe black fruit laced with tobacco, sous-bois, touches of marmalade and dried orange peel. Give it another hour and more blue fruit begins to emerge. The palate is medium-bodied with lavish, luxuriant black fruit and a creamy texture that is instantly seductive. It is a more opulent Saint-Julien than the Barton with a satin-like texture on the finish. If you love the style of Léoville-Poyferré then you will adore this. **Neal Martin**

Yves Beck

96-98 / 100

(...) Finesse, élégance et caractère. Ce sont les trois premiers adjectifs qui me viennent à l'esprit en humant ce Poyferré 2019. Que de subtilité et de délicatesse fruitée alliées à des notes de graphite et de bois de réglisse. En bouche le vin brille par sa manière de se révéler. Il affiche d'abord une attaque fruitée et friande puis lève le rideau de la scène pour céder la place à la puissance des tannins et la fraîcheur de la structure. Les tanins présentent un grain très fin et ont suffisamment de substance pour s'accommoder de la fougue de la structure qui porte l'expression aromatique jusqu'en finale, avec une constance et une intensité pour le moins convaincante ! Lorsqu'un vin parvient à si bien rallier puissance, finesse et élégance, alors c'est clairement un très grand vin !



96-98 / 100

Tout en puissance, mais avec un grand raffinement de texture, ce vin est taillé pour la garde. Le corps est magistral, épaulé et intense en saveurs de fruits. C'est le plus exubérant des 3 Léoville.



96-98 / 100

Deep and dark in color, the wine exudes flowers, tobacco, smoke, licorice and dark red fruit aromas. Full-bodied, lushly textured, round and fresh, the fruit has this beautiful, opulent, sensuous character. This is a good thing as it allows the cashmere tannins and layers of sweet, ripe, almost decadent berries to come alive, expand and really hang in there. If you are a fan of Leoville Poyferre, this needs to be in your cellar. **Jeff Leve**



96-97 / 100

Chewy and rich this year with lots of ripe tannins and solid depth of fruit. Chocolate and walnuts to the blue fruit. It's full-bodied. Plenty of fruit at the end. Excellent length.

Decanter

96 / 100

A rich and highly charged Poyferré, with creamy damson and vanilla pod spice expanding through the mid palate. Hugely impressive, with velvety tannins and plenty of charcoal, grilled sarments and slate impact. Higher tension through the core would take the score up even further. 3% Cabernet Franc completes the blend. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the estate under the ownership of the Cuvelier family. **Jane Anson**



18 / 20 - 96 / 100

Couleur sombre, intense et belle. Nez très aromatique, fin, fruité, complexe et même floral. Immédiatement juteux dès l'entrée en bouche et doté d'un corps délicatement moelleux et plutôt élancé, le vin prend de la sève entre le milieu et la finale. Il s'achève long, noble, tramé, sur un grain fin, esthétique et très séducteur à la fois. C'est très bon.

18 / 20

Deep purple hue. Rich but reserved with great purity of fruit. Cassis and spice aromas. Powerful tannic frame but folded in layers of unctuous fruit. Mouth-filling and flexing a little muscle. A big wine with plenty of *matière*. Long finish. One for the cellar. **JL**

95-97 / 100

The 2019 Léoville-Poyferré is magnificent. Inky, dark and beautifully layered in the glass, the 2019 possesses off-the-charts richness allied to tremendous breadth that grows over time. Crème de cassis, chocolate, licorice, sweet spice and menthol wrap around the palate as this dense, potent Saint-Julien shows off its alluring personality. Readers should be prepared to cellar the 2019 for some years, as it is a wine of raw power.

Antonio Galloni

94-96 / 100

Nez profond, épicé avec des notes de mure et de myrtille. Élégant et frais avec une réelle complexité. Bouche charnue, très belle structure et toucher de bouche délicat et cristallin avec des tanins structurants mais veloutés. Un Léoville Poyferré qui montre ses muscles et sa puissance mais en gardant la délicatesse de son terroir.

93-95+ / 100

Casting a deep garnet-purple color, the 2019 Léoville Poyferré charges out of the gate with alluring notes of chocolate-covered cherries, blueberry pie, dried mulberries and blackcurrant cordial plus suggestions of camphor, espresso, spice cake and oolong tea. The medium to full-bodied palate reveals bags of freshness and a suitably approachable texture, supporting the decadent blackberry preserves and exotic spice layers, finishing on a stewed tea note. An already incredibly impressive wine, I imagine by the end of barrel aging the tannins will be fully brought into line here and the fruit will emerge singing of even more nuances. **Lisa Perrotti-Brown**

