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« It brings another level of **purity, precision**, and **length** and is a **beautiful, classic Saint-Julien style**. » **90-92**

Jeb DUNNUCK

« ... **tannins puissants, grain fin** et **légèrement suaves**.

Un vin de **caractère** » **89-90**

Yves BECK

« A **compelling choice** in the appellation. » **92**

Jane ANSON - DECANTER

« L'impression de croquer du raisin. Sur l'allonge et la **gourmandise**. » **90-92**

Yohan CASTAING - ANTHOCYANES

« This has **such lovely elegance**, its **tannins top class**, and it will drink well relatively young. » **91-93**

Chris KISSACK - WINE DOCTOR

« Medium-bodied with **an attractive center palate** and a **round finish**. » **93-94**

James SUCKLING





LE PETIT DUCRU DE DUCRU- BEUCAILLOU ST. - JULIEN 2020

A linear, creamy-textured red with blackcurrant, light walnut and a hint of chocolate. Medium-bodied with an attractive center palate and a round finish. 78% merlot and 18% cabernet, the rest petit verdot.

2020 Le Petit Ducru De Ducru-Beaucaillou

RATING

90-92

TASTING DATE

5/23/2021

MATURITY

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REVIEWED BY

Jeb Dunnuck

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REVIEW

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A more Merlot-dominated wine from a handful of vineyards in Saint-Julien, the 2020 Le Petit Ducru De Ducru-Beaucaillou checks in as 78% Merlot, 18% Cabernet Sauvignon, and the remaining 4% Petit Verdot. Brought up in 30% new French oak, it has classic Saint-Julien cassis and darker berry fruits as well as beautiful tobacco, earth, and chocolate nuances, with classy background oak. It brings another level of purity, precision, and length and is a beautiful, classic Saint-Julien. While it's mostly Merlot, it has a very classic Saint-Julien style. It's billed as the third wine of the domaine, but it matches plenty of the estate's second wines.

THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER

By Jeff Leve

2020

Le Petit Ducru de Ducru Beaucaillou (St. Julien)

91

Tobacco, spice and red fruits come forward easily. Medium-bodied, soft, supple, fresh and forward define this wine. This charmer is already a pleasure to drink, you can think of it as a baby Ducru Beaucaillou, as it is essentially the third wine of Ducru. 90-92

Tasted May 20, 2021



By Lisa Perrotti-Brown

2020 Ducru-Beaucaillou • Le Petit Ducru

Rating

(88 - 90)


Release Price

NA

Drink Date

2023 - 2033

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Part of the Ducru-Beaucaillou stable, the 2020 Le Petit Ducru is a blend of 78% Merlot, 18% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Petit Verdot. It has an alcohol of 13.75% and the pH is 3.74. It is set to age for 12 months in French oak barrels, 30% new. Medium to deep garnet-purple in color, it comes barreling out of the glass with open-knit scents of ripe black plums, black cherries and mulberries, plus suggestions of cinnamon toast, potpourri and dried Provence herbs. The medium-bodied palate delivers plenty of juicy black fruits and a soft texture with unobtrusive acidity and a savory finish.

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BORDEAUX
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By Peter Moser

Le Petit Ducru de Ducru-
Beaucaillou 2020

90-92

Deepest ruby, opaque core, purple reflections, subtle brightening on rim. Fine cassis, licorice, candied orange zest. Medium body, dark cherries, freshly structured, integrated tannins, mineral, sticks, seems already well developed.



By Yohan Castaing

Château Ducru- Beaucaillou	Le Petit Ducru de Ducru- Beauca...	Saint- Julien	2020
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90-92

Cerise noire, cassis et mure avec des notes florales très élégantes. Petite pointe boisée très agréable. Juteux, charnu, des notes de fruits noirs et de fleurs avec une touche de graphite. Joufflu et frais. L'impression de croquer du raisin. Sur l'allonge et la gourmandise.

Yves Beck

LE PETIT DUCRU DE DUCRU-BEAUCAILLOU 2020

Dégusté le 14.04.2021 par *Yves Beck*

78% Merlot, 18% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Petit Verdot

Le bouquet du Petit Ducru souligne son élevage au travers de nuances de torréfaction. Notes de Moka et de vanille. A l'aération il révèle également des notes de baies noires. Caractère suave et dense en bouche. Les tannins sont puissants, denses et en phase avec la structure acide. Ils affichent un grain fin et sont légèrement suaves. Finale juteuse, vive et persistante. Un vin de caractère. 2026-2040 **89-90/100**



By Bernard Burtschy

Ch. Ducru-Beaucaillou Le Petit Ducru Troisième vin 2020 91-92

Ancien Lalande-Borie, sa robe est grenat sombre et le nez discret. Le vin est dense, serré, les tannins sont un peu durs presque asséchants. Il faut lui donner un an ou deux.

Caractéristiques techniques. Cépages : 78 merlot, 18 cabernet-sauvignon, 4 petit-verdot. Il titre 13,75° avec un pH de 3,74 et un IPT 87. Il est élevé avec 30 % de fût neuf.

Le Petit Ducru de Ducru-Beaucaillou (St Julien) 2020: Of his 105 hectares, 25 hectares are dedicated to this *cuvée*; it is mostly the old Lalande-Borie vines, but includes the occasional parcel from further east. The picking began September 11th, in order to keep the freshness in the Merlots. The blend is 78% Merlot, 18% Cabernet Sauvignon and 4% Petit Verdot. It has a charming colour in the glass, rich and intense, dark and fresh, and the nose is just as expressive as the appearance suggests, with scents of perfumed black cherry, rose petals, violets, tobacco and soot. This all comes across on the palate in a lightly spiced harmony, with fragrant toasted cherry fruits, tobacco pouch, leather, truffle and toast, all set in a gentle but attractively sinewy texture, with a base of ripe, velvety tannins. This has such lovely elegance, its tannins top class, and it will drink well relatively young. The alcohol is 13.75%. From my [Bordeaux 2020 *primeurs*](#) assessment. 91-93/100 (April 2021) 🔍

Decanter

Château Ducru-Beaucaillou, Le Petit Ducru de Ducru, St-Julien, Bordeaux, 2020

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Tasted by **Jane Anson** (at Primeur week tastings in Bordeaux, 01 May 2021)



The wine formerly known as Lalande-Borie. It has a supple texture right off the bat, just enough pencil lead, mocha, blackberries and savoury bilberry fruits to show a St-Julien signature. It has the dominant tannins of the vintage, but they are softened, this is plush through the mid palate with clear tightening on the finish. 30% new oak 3.68pH. A yield of 25hl/ha. Second vintage under this name and it remains a compelling choice in the appellation.

Drinking Window 2024 - 2034

By Markus del Monego MW

A horizontal banner image for the wine 'Le Petit Ducru de Ducru-Beaucaillou 2020'. The banner is divided into three sections: the left section shows a stone building facade, the middle section shows a close-up of several smooth, grey stones, and the right section is a dark, textured background. The text 'Le Petit Ducru de Ducru-Beaucaillou 2020' is overlaid in white, sans-serif font across the middle and right sections.

Dark purple colour with violet hue and black core. Elegant typical Saint-Julien nose with aroma of ripe blackberries, sweet elderberries, hints of sloe in the background. Subtle oak and mild spices, On the palate tightly woven with ripe tannins and elegant acidity, wonderful freshness with hints of dark berries and dark chocolate in the background. Well balanced with very good length.

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- Markus Del Monego MW