



ESTATE CUVÉE 2021

TASTING DATE 9/15/2023

RATING **97**

Immediately seductive and perfumed on the nose with aromas of dark cherries, blackberries, cassis, violets, cedar and plenty of sweet oak spices. It's full-bodied with knit-tight tannins and a velvety texture. Spicy and vibrant with poise. Good vitality with a controlled power all along. Concentrated and full of energy with a generous, peppery and berry-loaded finish. 50% syrah, 30% cabernet sauvignon and 20% petit verdot. Try after 2026.

CÔTE A CÔTE 2021

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RATING **96**

Refined nose with cherries, cassis, ripe plums, herbs and sweet spices. It's full-bodied with creamy tannins. An elegant development on the palate with a velvety texture. The fruit is obvious at the center with a discreet touch of spices and grilled herbs on the mid-palate. Slightly chewy with a focused, flavorful developing finish. 37% grenache, 32% syrah and 31% mourvedre. Drink or hold.

CHLOÉ 2021 (RELEASING SPRING 2024)

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RATING **96**

Lots of blackberries, cassis, dark plums, cedar and stones. Full-bodied with plush tannins. Serious and ample with a mineral edge at the center with some violets and blue fruit character towards the laser-focused long finish. 64% syrah, 23% grenache, 8% grenache blanc and 5% graciano. Try after 2026.

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021

TASTING DATE 9/15/2023

RATING **95**

Very attractive cabernet character here with blackcurrants, blackberries, walnuts, cedar and spices. Some pine needles, too. Full-bodied, wide and opulent with very fine, compact tannins. Long and even with a polished finish. Well-crafted. Better in two to three years.

FOR HER 2021 (RELEASING SPRING 2024)

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RATING **95**

Very attractive dark and blue fruit character, ripe but fresh with violets, anisette, licorice and bark with peppery undertones. Deep and layered with a full body and wide, velvety tannin structure that gives depth to the wine. Touch of white pepper and dried herbs. Generous and encompassing on the palate with a long finish. Powerful yet delicate. A blend of 59% syrah, 30% graciano, and 11% viognier, that are co-fermented. Drink or hold.

INSPIRACIÓN 2021

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RATING **95**

Ripe and mellow character with blackberries spiced cherries, dried citrus peel, dark licorice, chocolate and nutmeg. Full-bodied, very polished and sleek with fine, silky tannins and juicy acidity. Notes of blueberries and violets at the end. Spiced and savory with a slightly chewy finish. Delicious and textural. A blend of 49% grenache, 30% cabernet sauvignon, 15% syrah and 6% grenache blanc. Drink or hold.

ESTATE OPTIMUS 2021

TASTING DATE 9/15/2023

RATING **95**

Ripe blackberries, cassis and plum skins with blood orange, anisette and wet stones on offer. Full-bodied with compact, refined tannins and velvety texture. Generous and plentiful with a deep core of black fruit and a spiced, chocolatey finish. Really well made. A blend of 55% syrah, 27% cabernet sauvignon and 18% petit verdot. Drink or hold.

LES DEMOISELLES 2021

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RATING **94**

Plenty of spiced cherries, forest berries, black pepper, stones and warm herbs on the nose following through to a full body with finely grained tannins. Spicy and well-balanced with a bright core of blue fruits and crunchy berries at the center. Structured and well-driven with a focused finish and excellent length. 80% mourvedre and 20% syrah. Drink or hold.