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CHÂTEAU MAUCAILLOU  
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### AOC Moulis-en-Médoc

#### *Millésime 2022*

**Area & planting density** : 72 Hectares with 7000 vines/hectare

**Yield** : 36 hl/ha

**Grape varieties** : 52 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 41 % Merlot, 7 % Petit Verdot

**Harvest** : 80% mechanical with on-board sorting, and manual sorting in the winery.  
Merlot : 14th – 27th September.  
Petit Verdot : 23rd – 27th September.  
Cabernets Sauvignon : 28th September - 6 October.

**Vinification & ageing** : traditional Bordeaux-style vinification in temperature-controlled vats by grape varieties. During alcoholic fermentation, daily pump-overs, divided by the volume of the vat. Devatting after tasting on average 4 weeks after the start of alcoholic fermentation. Tapping in January. Aged in French oak barrels, 40% new, 40% 1 wine, 20% 2 wines.

**Alcohol** : 13%/vol

**The vintage** : Winter 2022 was cool and dry. Flowering began early in May and progressed very quickly under clement weather conditions. The summer was hot and dry, with the exception of a few storms in June. These conditions favoured a very early vintage, with grapes rich in sugar but with delayed phenolic ripeness. Perfect health but low yields. Gentle vinification without too much extraction to avoid releasing too much tannin. The wines are rich and very aromatic, with a good mid-palate supported by the freshness of the ripe Cabernets. Very good potential.

**Blending** : 61 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 35 % Merlot & 4% Petit Verdot.

**Tasting notes** : Château Maucaillou 2022 has a beautiful, intense ruby red colour with purple reflections. On the nose, it reveals seductive aromas of fresh blackberries and nutmeg accompanied by toasty and roasted notes. On the palate, the attack is smooth, and gives way to a pleasant freshness that provides tension throughout the tasting. This 2022 vintage is distinguished by its roundness, its voluptuousness and fruity flavours, while offering a lingering finish with dark chocolate and spicy notes.

This is a wine for ageing, which promises to evolve beautifully over time and will delight lovers of elegant, well-structured wines.



# Echoes from the press

## « *En Primeur* »

**Georgina Hindle 93** (Mai 2023)

The logo for Decanter, featuring the word "Decanter" in a white serif font on a dark red rectangular background.

Fruit-forward, ripe and plush but also cool and fresh giving a great balance between power and focus. I like the ripe, almost chewy tannins because there's purity and expansion, a wide frame and long length with finesse and a sense of refinement. Clearly powerful and bold but this expression really works and marries the concentrated fruit, high acidity, fine tannins and structure really well. Very enjoyable and captivating even now...

**Yohan Castaing 87-89+** (April 2023)

The logo for Robert Parker Wine Advocate, featuring the name "Robert Parker" in a white cursive script and "WINE ADVOCATE" in a smaller white sans-serif font below it, all on a dark red background.

The 2022 Maucaillou is a Cabernet driven blend with 42% Merlot and 7% Petit Verdot. Its bouquet exhibits aromas of spices, licorice, cherry and blueberry With hints of toasty oak. On the palate, this fruit-driven wine is medium to

Full-bodied, fleshy and velvety with a slightly austere finish.

**James Suckling 91-92** (April 2023)

The logo for JSI Wine Ratings, featuring the letters "JSI" in a large white serif font, a wine glass icon, and the words "WINE RATINGS" in a smaller white sans-serif font, all on a black background.

Juicy, linear red with a dusty tannic structure. Medium-bodied. Firm finish.

**James Lawther 16,5** (May 2023)

The logo for James Lawther, featuring the name "James Lawther" in a white cursive script on a dark purple rectangular background.

Black fruit with a touch of spicy oak. Layered, fresh and long. Zesty freshness with plenty of lift. Fine tannins. Long and precise finish.

**Yves Beck 89-91** (May 2023)

The logo for Yves Beck, featuring the name "Yves Beck" in a white cursive script on a dark red rectangular background.

Maucaillou reveals himself with the finesse for which he is renowned. Never overpowering, it focuses on freshness and fruity nuances, complemented by a touch of liquorice. Slightly creamy, the wine stands out for the harmony it displays between velvety tannins and structuring acidity. The 2022 is full-bodied and well-balanced thanks to its tannins. It still needs to improve its aromatic expression on the mid-palate and on the finish. Ageing and the coming months will take care of that.  
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**Jeff Leve 89-91** (May 2023)

Attacking, round, soft and fruity, with a core of black plums, espresso, cocoa and tobacco from start to finish. The medium-bodied wine is round, smooth and ready for prime-time drinking straight from the bottle. Drink between 2025 and 2037.

Antonio Galloni  
vinous

**Antonio Galloni 90-91** (May 2023)

The 2022 Maucaillou is deep, savory and super-complex. Dried herbs, leather, licorice, tobacco, incense and dried flowers give this heady Moulis tons of nuance to complement its intense, resonant fruit. Maucaillou packs a tremendous punch.

falstaff

**Peter Moser 92** (May 2023)

Deep dark ruby garnet colour with opaque core and purple reflections, delicate brightening on the rim. Black forest fruit, hints of liquorice, fresh cherries, orange zest. Taut, blackberry, integrated, firm tannins, mineral, dark chocolate on the finish, has some length and certain ageing potential.

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**Jonathan Choukroune Chicheportiche 90-91** (May 2023)

The nose is roasted/toasted, fresh, with a fine intensity and a certain purity. It expresses notes of roasting, fresh blackberry and - more lightly - bright red berries, combined with small touches of fresh tobacco, sweet spices and a hint of nutmeg. The palate is mineral and fruity, with a lovely freshness, tension, precision, a mineral structure and a stretched, taut feel. It expresses notes of pulpy blackberry, juicy black berries and - more lightly - roasted cherry combined with touches of liquorice/zan, camphor, nutmeg as well as fine hints of toasted almond and a hint of toast. Freshness.

bettane +  
desseauve

**Bettane & Dessauve 90** (May 2023)

The profile offered by this vintage is easy and flattering, but lacks a little singularity. It will, however, please with its roundness.

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**Ella Lister & Béatrice Delamotte** (May 2023)

A warm, vibrant bouquet of black fruit and bracken, while the spices add their aromatic richness with slightly oriental notes. Soft and caressing, the palate is structured by velvety tannins that are still a little austere. The finish is ripe and dense.