

2019 CHÂTEAU SÉRAPHINE

Review Summary



95 pts “A dark, heady, brooding nose full of violets and blackcurrants. Licorice, black truffle and scented black cherries are all noticeable straight away, this is quite a bold wine, with at first a chewy, mouth-filling texture then settles to reveal layers of acidity, fruit and freshness as well as more detail to the tannins and overall structure. Very seductive and charming. Still so much potential with all the elements at the fore right now, persistent and driving. Will be excellent to approach in a few years.”

Georgina Hindle
Decanter
March 2022

94 pts “The 2019 Séraphine, the recent addition to the Pomerol landscape courtesy of proprietor Martin Krajewski, was very impressive when I tasted the barrel sample. Now in bottle, it delivers on that promise. It has a gorgeous, pure, lilting bouquet of blackberry, raspberry and light black truffle scents that unfold in the glass. I really appreciate the definition and detail, and the prudent use of new oak (40%). The palate is medium-bodied with fine-grained tannins, a keen thread of acidity, a touch more backbone than a few months ago, and insistent grip on the finish. Traces of black pepper furnish the aftertaste. As I said before, one to watch. Just 2,800 bottles produced.”

Neal Martin
Vinous
February 2022

94 pts “A bloody, old-fashioned Pomerol, this wine has a gentle complexity, like the scent of a high-caliber tobacconist’s shop. It combines iron-like tannins with black-currant depths, espresso-bitter in its plump black-raspberry flavors that last. “So elegant,” said Mary Gorman, MW. “Its flavors are an umbilical cord to something else—that is terroir.” Charlotte and Martin Krajewski are the team behind Séraphine as well as Clos Cantenac in St-Emilion. Martin Krajewski purchased the property in 2016, after selling Château de Sours, his Bordeaux vineyard, to Jack Ma, a co-founder of Alibaba. The property includes four parcels, for a total of 5.4 acres; they replanted about half of their vines in 2017, working with the remaining older blocks in Plince and Mazeyres.”

Joshua Greene
Wine & Spirits
February 2023



92-94+ pts "This wine is made from 100% Merlot and is being aged in French oak barrels, 40% new, for 12-14 months. The alcohol came in at 14%. Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2019 Séraphine opens with the most beautiful perfume of plum preserves, violets, clove oil and cinnamon stick over a core of blueberry compote, Morello cherries and crushed rocks. Medium to full-bodied, the palate delivers mouth-coating black and blue fruit preserves with a fantastic line of freshness and beautifully ripe, plush tannins, finishing with loads of mineral and spicy sparks."

Lisa Perotti-Brown
Robert Parker Wine Advocate
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