



## Bordeaux 2016

### 4 STRONG BUYS from "Best Bordeaux Vintage"

- On 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020 the *Financial Times* ran an article by British critic **Jancis Robinson** in which she asserted that **Bordeaux 2016** was the "**best Bordeaux vintage**" she would ever taste!
- Bordeaux 2016 is now established in collectors' minds as the **best vintage of 2010s**, and one that will sit alongside **1982, 2009** and **2010** as a 'historic' Bordeaux vintage.
- From an investment perspective, the **perception of the quality of the vintage** is hugely important, and we think there is **great long-term value** in the top wines of Bordeaux 2016 right now.
- **9 Bordeaux 2016 wines** scored a **perfect 100 points** from Wine Advocate.
- We recommend: **Cos d'Estournel 2016, Léoville-Las Cases 2016, Vieux Château Certan 2016** and **Mouton Rothschild 2016** as the best long-term collection / investment holdings.

### Bordeaux 2016 – "Best Bordeaux Vintage"

In her *Financial Times* article Jancis Robinson called Bordeaux 2016: "**the best Bordeaux vintage I will probably ever taste**". The occasion was a big London tasting of 2016s in bottle. Robinson explained why 2016 eclipses other great recent vintages:

2016 is: "**more consistent than 2015, as tannic as 2010 but with riper tannins, much more precise than 2009, and just more everything than most vintages.**"

The article made a big impression on the international wine market. The market had for a while been inching towards a consensus view that 2016 was the greatest vintage of the 2010s. But now Jancis Robinson was claiming that 2016 could outshine **2009, 2010** and even **1982** also!

### Bordeaux 2016 – Four STRONG BUYS

The bottom line is that long-term collectors/investors **need to own 2016 Bordeaux**. Of course there are many great wines from Bordeaux 2016. But we think 4 stand out as long-term collection/investment buys (of the nine 100 pointers):

Wine	WA	Price (6x75cl)	Drink to	Recommendation	Comment
Cos d'Estournel	100	SGD 1,480	2068	STRONG BUY	Looks very undervalued. The 2009 is 36% more expensive. Cheapest 100 pt 2016.
Léoville Las Cases	100	SGD 2,180	2078	STRONG BUY	Finest ever LLC. Clearly First Growth quality for one a third the price. 400 points
Vieux Château Certan	100	SGD 2,580	2070	STRONG BUY	This only 100 pt WA VCC. Best buy on the Righth Bank. 50 year wine.
Pavie	100	SGD 2,790	2060	HOLD	
Haut-Brion	100	SGD 4,230	2070	HOLD	
Mouton Rothschild	100	SGD 4,565	2085	STRONG BUY	400 pointer. This will challenge Latour for 'First Growth of the vintage'.
Cheval Blanc	100	SGD 4,995	2070	HOLD	
Latour	100	SG\$ 5,500 (estimate)	2070	HOLD	
Pétrus	100	SGD 31,941	2074	HOLD	

## Château Cos d'Estournel 2016

**STRONG BUY**

- The only 100 point Bordeaux 2016 wine offered **below SG\$2,000**.
- The only other 100 point Cos is the 2009, which is **36% more expensive**.
- Cos 2016 is backed by a **100 point** score for **Vinous** and 99 points from Jeb Dunnuck.
- Drink to **2068**.
- If you can only afford one top Bordeaux 2016 wine it **should probably be this one**.

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## Château Léoville-Las Cases

**STRONG BUY**

- First Growth in quality (it outscores Lafite and Margaux).
- The **finest ever Léoville-Las Cases**.
- **Four 100** point scores (Wine Advocate, Jeb Dunnuck, Decanter, James Suckling).
- Great **long-term investment potential**.
- One of the **longest drinking windows** of any 2016 100 pointer.

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## Château Vieux Château Certan

**STRONG BUY**

- The **only 100 point** (WA) Vieux Château Certan in history.
- The **least expensive** 2016 **Right Bank** 100 pointer.
- **100 points** also from **Jeb Dunnuck** and 99 from James Suckling.
- Not large production – **demand will always outstrip supply** of this wine, which will live forever.

Wine	WA	Price (6x75cl)	Drink to	Recommendation	Comment
Vieux Château Certan	100	SGD 2,580	2070	STRONG BUY	This only 100 pt WA VCC. Best buy on the Right Bank. 50 year wine.

## Château Mouton Rothschild 2016

**STRONG BUY**

- Mouton 2016 dazzled critics with no less than **four 100 point scores** (Wine Advocate, Vinous, Jeb Dunnuck, James Suckling).
- This wine is **nearly SG\$500 cheaper than Lafite** 2016 (which is not 100 points WA).
- Called simply "*magic*" by Wine Advocate.
- A wine destined for **immortality**.

Wine	WA	Price (6x75cl)	Drink to	Recommendation	Comment
Mouton Rothschild	100	SGD 4,565	2085	STRONG BUY	400 pointer. This will challenge Latour for 'First Growth of the vintage'.

*All prices In Bond.*

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