

Fugue de NENIN 2018



TERROIR

Fugue de Nénin is made from vines rooted in clay-sandy soils, which lend the wine an earlier-drinking style, along with fruit from young vines on the Pomerol plateau. In the context of the Pomerol appellation, where it is rare for an estate to exceed 10 hectares, Château Nénin represents a major surface: up to 32 hectares of vines in production. Consequently, its terroir includes all the diversity of soils that characterise Pomerol. It is mainly made up of Oligocene deposits covered with gravelly alluvial formations of the Dordogne; siliceous clays and gravels, quartz, granites, iron dross as well as basalt pebbles.

VINTAGE 2018

With a more humid winter than elsewhere, Pomerol experienced a warm but less rainy springtime. Starting from July favourable weather conditions were noticed with wide fluctuation in between day and night temperatures. The optimal conditions during the harvest guaranteed the health of the crop and its perfect quality. This second wine from the Château Nénin is characterised by its elegance and lusciousness, underlined by a tense tannic structure and a great freshness, with a persistent and brilliant finish on the fruit.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Blend : Merlot 88 % Cabernet Franc 12 %

Harvest period : 13th September to 10th October 2018

Alcohol degree : 14.40 % - Total Acidity : 3.38 gH₂SO₄/l - pH : 3.60 - IPT : 68



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TASTING NOTES

92/100

BETTANE & DESSEAUVÉ

Les notes de feuille de tabac dominent un registre tertiaire de belle complexité. Profonde, longue et parfaitement structurée, la bouche révèle une remarquable maturité. Un pomerol précis et accompli. (Juillet 2026)

94/100

JAMES SUCKLING

Dark cherries with some blueberry and herbal notes on the nose. It's full-bodied with firm tannins. Savory with an inky note on the palate. Nice berry, dark-chocolate and hazelnut undertones. Flavorful finish with length. Second wine of Nenin. Try after 2023. (January 2021)

90/100

JEB DUNNUCK

The second wine of this notable Pomerol estate, the Merlot-dominated 2018 Fugue de Nenin offers a plump, medium-bodied style revealing lots of red and black fruits, damp earth, and tobacco notes as well as a charming, supple, delicious style on the palate. Building nicely with time in the glass, it's beautifully balanced, and I'd certainly be happy to drink a bottle over the coming, say, 7-8 years or more. This is another wine that's ideal for readers looking for top notch Bordeaux that doesn't require a decade of cellaring. (March 2021)

88/100

WINE SPECTATOR / JAMES MOLESWORTH

Fresh and direct, with a sanguine edge to the mix of damson plum, bitter cherry and raspberry coulis notes. Savory and tobacco hints fill in on the slightly austere finish. (...). Drink now through 2027. (February 2021)

89/100

ANTHOCYANES / YOHAN CASTAING

Nez de violette, de mure, de cassis pour un nez élégant et frais. Rond, juteux, très merlot dans sa construction avec des tanins structurants mais parfaitement élégants. Quelle fraîcheur ! Un vin qui conviendra à la fois



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pour les prochaines années comme pour une garde de 4 à 5 ans. (Novembre 2020)

89/100

DECANTER / JANE ANSON

The same crayon and pencil lead you find in the first wine of Nenin, with plush brushed tannins which place the wine in Pomerol, along with clear juice to the fruit. This is not exuberant, and there are notes of fig and fruits that push ripeness to the edge. (November 2020)

92/100

YVES BECK

Superbe bouquet marqué par des notes de baies noires où fraîcheur et maturité sont en parfaite symbiose. En bouche le vin est juteux, friand, racé et parfaitement équilibré. Un vin de toute beauté. 2022-2033. (Décembre 2020)

89-91/100

B WINE ART / CHRISTER BYKLUM

Ruby. Blueberries, anise, spices, some cinnamon, almost an exotic note in it. Fresh acidity, ripe tannins, anise, blueberries, some spices, some structure far behind, long. (March 2019)

88-90/100

THE WINE DOCTOR / CHRIS KISSACK

(...). It has a really pretty note of rose petals, a quite fragrant perfume, with notes of grilled cherry stones and pips. This continues with a fresh style on the palate, easy going and delicate, with gently polished fruit, fresh and bright. This is all fragrant cherry leaf and bay leaf, with a little menthol freshness, pretty, fresh and expressive. (April 2019)

17,5+/20

VWINE.CH / ADRIAN VAN VELSEN

Leuchtendes Rubin, violette Reflexe. Feinduftige Nase, zarte Blüten, das Holz top eingebunden. Im Auftakt weich und rund, sehr feine, reife aber dennoch knackige Frucht, keinerlei Klebrigkeit, wirkt frisch, das Holz perfekt verpackt, feines, moderat ausgeprägtes Tannin. Im Abgang von guter Länge, endet auf Kirschen und ein Hauch Brombeere. 2021-2030+.



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(March 2019)

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WINE ADVOCATE / LISA PERROTTI BROWN

(...). Deep garnet-purple colored, it leaps from the glass with gregarious black cherries, redcurrant jelly and warm plums scents with nuances of dark chocolate, cloves and anise. Medium to full-bodied, the palate offers lovely rounded tannins and a lively line of freshness supporting the crunchy red and black fruits, finishing with an herbal lift.

17/20

MATTHEW JUKES

16+/20

WEIN GABRIEL / RENE GABRIEL



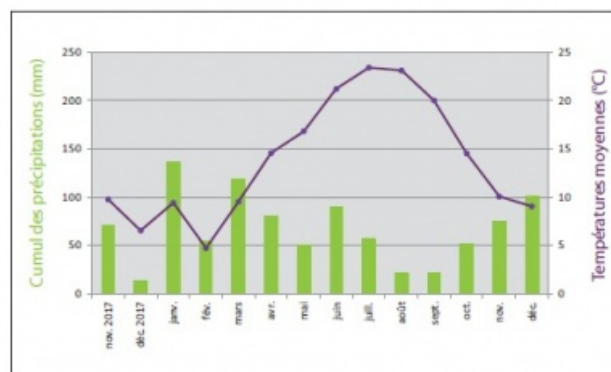
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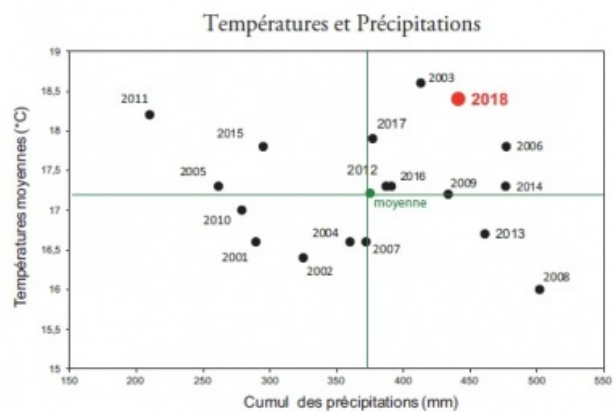
Phenological cycle



Total rainfall and average temperatures in 2018



Comparison of temperatures and rainfall during the growth cycle : from 1st March to 31st October



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