

# NENIN

2019

## TERROIR

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Situé sur le plateau de Pomerol, Château Nénin bénéficie d'un terroir emblématique associant graves profondes, argiles et sols riches en fer, caractéristiques des grands vins de l'appellation. La mosaïque de parcelles, réparties entre le haut du plateau d'argiles profonds et des versants plus graveleux, offre un équilibre naturel entre puissance, fraîcheur et finesse tannique. Ce terroir permet au merlot d'exprimer toute sa profondeur et son velouté, tandis que les Cabernets Franc et Sauvignon apportent structure, tension et complexité aromatique. Ces différentes expressions du vignoble favorisent une maturation lente et régulière des raisins, donnant naissance à des vins précis, élégants et dotés d'un grand potentiel de garde.

## MILLÉSIME 2019

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Des saisons "extrêmes" : Si l'hiver fut doux et sec, le printemps quant à lui fut froid avec une menace récurrente de gel. L'été chaud voire caniculaire causant par endroit d'importants stress hydriques connut toutefois une bénéfique alternance de journées chaudes et de nuits fraîches et quelques épisodes pluvieux. Il s'agit d'un millésime de "terroir", pour lequel jusqu'aux vendanges nous avons favorisé une approche intra-parcellaire très poussée. Le Grand Vin du Château Nénin offre un magnifique équilibre, fraîcheur et amplitude.

## INFORMATIONS TECHNIQUES

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Assemblage : Merlot 70% Cabernet Franc 30%

Date de vendange : Du 14 septembre au 8 octobre 2019

Degré : 14,45% - Acidité Totale : 2,90 gH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>/l - PH : 3,59 - IPT : 75



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## NOTES DE DÉGUSTATION

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**95/100**

**JAMES SUCKLING**

Perfumed nose of crushed stones, blackberries and violets. Medium-to full-bodied with very fine tannins and fresh, minerally undertones. So long, showing bitter chocolate that turns to hazelnut and cocoa bean. Tight and precise at the end. (...). Try after 2025. (February 2022)

**93/100**

**VINOUS / NEAL MARTIN**

The 2019 Nenin is the first vintage with a wax seal in the bottle, so you have been warned! Apparently the wax is one that does not crumble everywhere. This Pomerol retains the definition and focus that I discerned from barrel, coming across quite energetic with pretty Merlot fruit ' raspberry coulis, red currant and hints of black truffle. The palate is medium-bodied with lithe tannins and well-judged acidity, nothing too heavy or dense. A more elegant Nenin compared to previous vintages, with good persistence on the finish. This is well worth seeking out. (February 2022)

**93-95/100**

**WEINVERSTAND / ULRICH SAUTTER**

Vor Ort verkostet. (...). Im Duft Heidelbeere, sehr frisch und klar, und schön mit trüfflig-würzigen Nebentönen. Auch sehr floral. Im Mund mit weichem Fond, feinkörnigem Gerbstoff in vorsichtig extrahierter Menge, sehr elegant und mineralisch. Mineralisch-kompakt im Abklang, einzig der Alkohol wird ein klein wenig merklich. (December 2021)

**91/100**

**WINE SPECTATOR / JAMES MOLESWORTH**

Delivers warm plum sauce and blackberry reduction flavors that cruise through, with a velvety structure and a finish marked by licorice root and anise accents. A solid, forthright Pomerol. (...). Best from 2023 through 2035. (January 2022)

**96/100**

**AMA / ALEXANDRE MA**



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In recent years, Nénin has been progressing at a considerable speed. Surprisingly, its round and opulent body becomes more 'natural', especially the crystal clear expression about the fruitiness. Picking up the wine glass, I feel like entering into a garden filled with flowers and fruits. The delicate extraction makes the structure super polished, even though you verify with a magnifying glass, you can find any flaw. The original scent of spicy notes drops down to violets' petals, contributing more delicateness and vitality. Who cannot fall in love with such a brilliant wine' (November 2021)

**94/100**

**BECKUSTATOR / YVES BECK**

Le bouquet de Nénin se distingue par des notes de griottes, des épices et des nuances mentholées. Bien entendu, la richesse olfactive, respectivement le côté solaire du millésime, ne passe pas inaperçu, mais il est bien encerclé par les autres éléments. Caractère crémeux mais également juteux en bouche. La fraîcheur est bien représentée en bouche également et l'entier du palais s'en retrouve équilibré. Un vin élégant et doté d'une bonne structure. Pas facile d'avoir de la fraîcheur à Pomerol en 2019... Défi parfaitement relevé par Nénin ! 2025-2044. (Décembre 2021)

**94/100**

**JANEANSON.COM**

Pencil lead, graphite, dark cassis and blueberry fruits along with smoked fennel and sage. There is a lot of gravel in the soils at Nénin, and you feel the muscular layers of tannins along with a finesse and elegance to the construction. Great quality, living up to En Primeur promise. (\*). In the cellar, they cut the extraction time down by half compared to 2018, because the skins on the small, concentrated berries were so thick. (Novembre 2021)

**95-97+/100**

**JEB DUNNUCK**

On the Right Bank, Pomerol was the place to be in 2019, and the 2019 Chateau Nénin is one of the finest wines from this address I've tasted. (...) This deep purple-hued effort has a gorgeous nose of ripe blackberry and blueberry fruits interwoven with lots of classic tobacco, damp earth, chocolate, and cedar pencil nuances. Ripe yet also fresh and lively on the palate, it's medium to full-bodied, has beautiful tannins, flawless balance, and a great finish. In short, it's another rockstar of a 2019 Pomerol that



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readers are going to love. (August 2020)

**92/100**

**THE WINE DOCTOR / CHRIS KISSACK**

(...). An attractive nose here, fragranced with violets and minerally elements reminiscent of pebbles and crushed chalk, with a little dried red cherry too. The palate has a lovely elegance, a seamless fascia, with elegant Cabernet aromatics, with nuances of cigar box, graphite, toasted almonds from the oak, with a leather and red cherry backdrop, all over a rich core of firm, finely grained and toasted tannins. An attractive wine with a tense, bitter grip in the finish. A good showing from Nenin here. (December 2021)

**95-96/100**

**BETTANE & DESSEAUVE / MICHEL BETTANE**

La sélection intra parcellaire permet d'aller encore plus loin sur ce millésime. Les 30% de cabernet franc contribuent à l'intensité séveuse de ce 2019 marqué par une profondeur et un raffinement aboutis. L'aromatique florale se met en place. (Juillet 2020)

**94-95/100**

**VWINE.CH / ADRIAN VAN VELSEN**

Was für ein schöner Duft, expressiv, floral, komplex, verspielt, das ist nobel und ausladend. Im Gaumen vollmundig aber nicht schwerfällig, ungemein finessenreich, mit weicher, cremiger Textur, einer top Gerbstoff-Qualität und genau der richtigen Dosis Säure, der Alkohol ist hier top verpackt, endet sehr langanhaltend und würzig, dunkelfruchtig. Ein eleganter Wein mit viel Finesse und einer schönen Zukunft vor sich. 2026-2045. (June 2020)

**94/100**

**DECANTER / JANE ANSON**

The layers of fruit come through strongly on the nose. Plum and raspberry richness wrapped up with raspberry leaf and sage, this just gently tiptoes through the palate. Extraction is careful and delicate and yet there is a lot of power. This is always a Left Bank style of Pomerol giving a restrained savoury feel with freshness and classicism. Opens slowly in the glass and needs time over ageing. In the cellar, they cut the extraction time down by half compared to 2018, because the skins were so thick. (May 2020)

**93-95+/100**



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WINE ADVOCATE / LISA PERROTTI-BROWN

The 2019 Nenin is a blend of 70% Merlot and 30% Cabernet Franc, harvested from the 14th of September to the 8th of October. The alcohol weighs in at 14.45% with a pH of 3.59 and an IPT of 75. It is aging in French oak barriques, 45% new. Offering up an opaque purple-black color, aromas of plum preserves, fresh blueberries and boysenberries explode out of the glass, closely followed by a perfume wave of lilacs, star anise, Ceylon tea, eucalyptus and chocolate box. The full-bodied palate is at once rich and sensuous as well as bright and refreshing, with a compelling interplay between spiced, preserved black fruits with lively fresh-berry accents and a racy backbone. The tannins here are wonderfully plush, and it finishes on a lingering anise note. There's so much going on here and it all works together beautifully - a party in your mouth! (June 2020)

93-95/100

ANTHOCYANES / YOHAN CASTAING

Touche florales, fruits noirs, bouche ronde, juteuse, très beaux tanins dans la fraîcheur et la délicatesse. Un des Nénin les plus cristallins en texture de ces dix dernières années. Beaucoup d'élégance. Quelle fraîcheur ! (...). (Mai 2020)

18/20

WEINWISSER / TJARK WITZGALL

(...). Dicht ver woben Bouquet mit dunklen Kirschen, Mi chschokolade und Lakritze. dahinter ein Strauss Veilchen. Am Gaumen mit seidiger Textur mit stützendem Tanningerüst. eine elegante Rasse trägt den Wein. Im aromatischen Finale schwarzbeerige Konturen, pur und präzise. Tanzend bis ins mittlere Finale. Erinnert an den 2016er mit toller Balance. (June 2020)

17/20

JANCISROBINSON.COM / JAMES LAWTHER

Dark fruit and floral notes. (...). Plenty of energy and drive but less overt opulence. Firm and structured on the palate. Almost médocain in presence. (June 2020)

92-94+/100

THE WINE CHRONICLES / PANOS KAKAVIATOS



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Interesting how this 2019 comes across a bit more reserved than the 2018, which had more exuberance. Still, the 2019 from barrel counts among the best experienced en primeur. This estate tends to be a bit closed in and rather Médoc like from barrel (and often from bottle) but in these last two vintages, one gets more Pomerol sumptuousness. Long finish. A fine job (...). (September 2020)

**94/100**

**JEAN-MARC QUARIN**

Couleur sombre, intense et vive. Nez très aromatique, au fruité à la fois mûr et bien frais. Bouche tout en distinction dans ses appuis tanniques, avec beaucoup de goût, une nuance truffée et une longue finale tout en arômes. C'est très bon. (Mars 2022)

**92-94/100**

**THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER / JEFF LEVE**

Notes of flowers, greenery, dark plums, chocolate, licorice and wet earth on the nose gets thing's going. On the palate, the wine is fresh, concentrated, powerful and loaded with lifted, dark pit fruits and plums with a judicious dose of chocolate. With the structure and tannins to age, coupled with the complexity making it worth the wait, this is a fine vintage for Nenin. (...). (June 2020)

**91-93/100**

**WINE ENTHUSIAST / ROGER VOSS**

This Pomerol estate, owned by Domaines Delon, has produced a structured, dense wine, dominated by 70% Merlot. Rich tannins and black currant fruits are knit together by the wood aging that shows in the spiciness. The wine's core of tannins is sure to give it aging potential. (June 2020)

**THE DRINKS BUSINESS / COLIN HAY**

Well situated vineyard on the plateau next to Trotanoy and a stone's throw from Le Pin. A pure and lifted nose of pure blueberries and sloes. This is quite big and powerful, yet at the same time fresh and sappy, with an attractive crunchy fruit and plenty of bite and grip. Floral notes too violets and heather. Good delineation and good length. This is well made and will be approachable earlier than most of the Domaines Delon wines in this vintage. (April 2020)

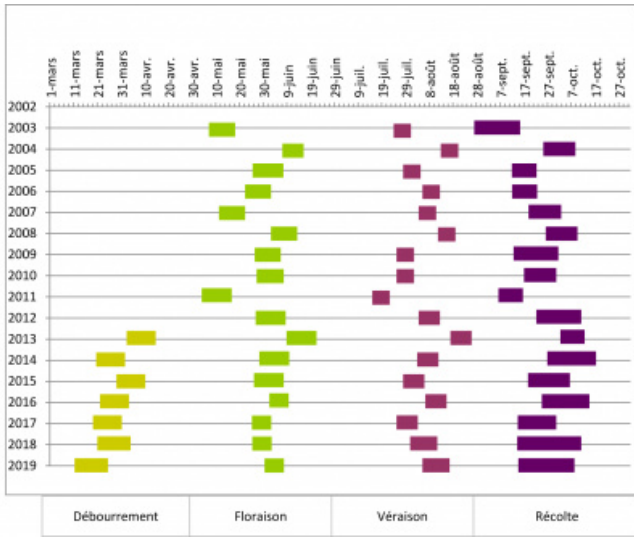


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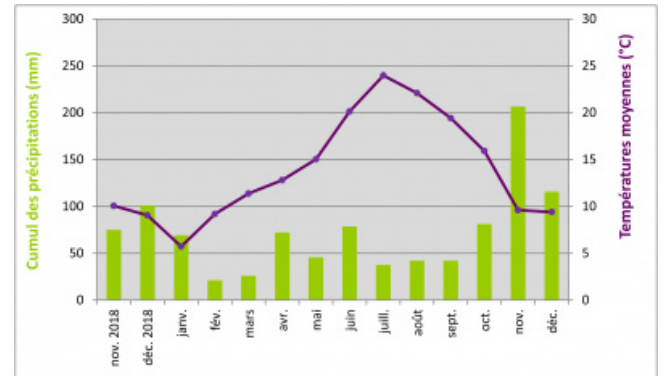
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## Stades phénologiques



## Pluviométrie et températures en 2019



Comparatif des températures et précipitations sur la période végétative : du 1er mars au 31 octobre

