

JEAN-PIERRE  
MOUEIX  
Vins rouges  
Bordeaux  
Saint-Émilion  
et pomerol

# CHÂTEAU BÉLAIR-MONANGE 2018

SAINT-ÉMILION PREMIER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ

98% MERLOT - 2% CABERNET FRANC

*Château Bélaïr-Monange traces its origins back to Roman times. Situated at the highest point of Saint-Émilion's famed limestone plateau, it has long been considered one of the region's very best crus. By 1850 it was ranked by Cocks & Feret as the leading wine of Saint-Émilion, a position it held well into the twentieth century.*



Établissements Jean-Pierre Moueix purchased the iconic Château in 2008 and immediately undertook extensive renovations of the vineyard, winery, underground quarries, and château in order to restore the cru to its rightful historic status. The estate was renamed « Bélaïr-Monange » in honor of Jean-Pierre Moueix's mother, Anne-Adèle Monange, the first Moueix woman to call Saint-Émilion her home.

Château Bélaïr-Monange combines the terroirs of the most privileged sites of Saint-Émilion. The limestone from the central plateau parcels offers freshness, minerality, and delicate, lingering aromatics, while the dense, blue clay of the south slopes provides intensity, length, and a unique elegance to the wine.



Édouard Moueix

APPELLATION:	Saint-Émilion Grand Cru
CLASSIFICATION:	1° Grand Cru Classé
VINEYARD SIZE:	23.5 hectares (58 acres)
AVERAGE VINE AGE:	25 years
SOIL TYPES:	Asteriated limestone on the plateau. Blue clay on limestone in the slopes
VINEYARD VARIETALS:	90% Merlot - 10% Cabernet Franc
VITICULTURE:	Certified HVE3, Soil tilling (4 ways). Vine growth management adapted to the climatic conditions
HARVEST:	Manual harvest. Double sorting: optical and manual.
WINEMAKING:	In thermo-regulated concrete and stainless-steel vats. Gentle, controlled maceration and extraction.
AGING:	16-18 months in French oak barrels (50% new)



Certified HVE3

## James Suckling 99 Points

*Very intense blackberries, black olives, blueberries and dried flowers. Stony minerality. Even some pine. Full-bodied with superb depth of fruit and ultra fine tannins that are intense and polished. The finish is so long and delivers so much flavor, from wet earth to blackberry again. Seamless palate. Try after 2026.*

## Wine Advocate 98 Points

*Rolls effortlessly out of the glass with gregarious scents of black cherry preserves, stewed plums and boysenberries, plus suggestions of Indian spices, rose oil, Ceylon tea and garrigue, with a waft of tilled soil. The rich, seductive, full-bodied palate is laden with black fruit preserves and exotic spice layers, framed by velvety tannins and seamless freshness, finishing long and fragrant. Wonderfully hedonic and conceivably drinkable now, give it 4-5 years in the cellar to allow the earthy/savory nuances to fully emerge from within the fruit and drink it over the next 25 years.*

## Wine Spectator 95 Points

*Restrained style, with gently mulled currant and black cherry notes forming the core while hints of anise, applewood and sweet tobacco peek through on the finish. Long, fine chalky minerality extends the finish as the fruit plays out gracefully. Merlot and Cabernet Franc. Best from 2023 through 2036. 2,665 cases made.*

— JM



Also: JD-98 Pts, WE-(95-97) Pts, VIN-(93-96) Pts.