

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

# CHÂTEAU BÉLAIR-MONANGE 2020

**SAINT-ÉMILION PREMIER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ**

*Château BÉLAIR-Monange has always been ranked at the top of the Premiers Grands Crus Classés of Saint-Émilion and its origins are very old (apparently back to the ancient Gaul).*



<b>2020 Vintage Blend:</b>	98% Merlot - 2% Cabernet Franc
<b>Vineyard size:</b>	23.5 hectares (58 acres)
<b>Soil Types:</b>	Limestone on the plateau Blue clay on limestone in the slopes
<b>Average vine age:</b>	25 years
<b>Viticulture:</b>	Certified HVE3, Soil tilling (4 ways), Vine growth management adapted to the climatic conditions
<b>Harvest:</b>	Manual harvest. Double sorting: manual and optical
<b>Winemaking:</b>	In thermo-regulated concrete and stainless-steel vats Gentle & controlled maceration & extraction
<b>Aging:</b>	16-18 months in French oak barrels (50% new)

**History:** 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.



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**James Suckling-99 Pts**

**#78 in James Suckling's Top 100 Wines of 2023**

*Full-bodied with a solid palate of tannins that melt into the wine. It's sleek and muscular with fantastic length and presence. Reminds me of great old Belairs from the 1950s. Cool wine.*

*Give it six to eight years of time. Best after 2028.*

**Also: Jeb Dunnock-98 Pts, Wine Cellar Insider-97 Pts, Wine Advocate-95 Pts, Vinous-Neal Martin-96 Pts, Vinous-Antonio Galloni-98 Pts, Wine Spectator-94 Pts.**

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