



CHÂTEAU CANON SAINT-EMILION 2015
 Canon, the home of highly praised premier grand cru wines including this perfect 2015, is now owned by Chanel. The nose draws you in deep—pristine dark cherry, dark plum, blackberry and mulberry. The oak is perfectly subsumed. The palate's flawless, with immense depth and power, and so balanced. Immaculate fresh dark berry and plum flavours. Silky, deep finish. Best from 2022. ● **100 points**

TOAST TO FASHION

Fashion houses own some of the world's most revered vineyards. French billionaire Francois Pinault recently paid hundreds of millions of euros for a tiny Burgundy estate, Clos de Tart, and LVMH's Bernard Arnault bought a majority stake in cult Californian producer Colgin last year. James Suckling shares recent tasting notes on top-class wines from top names in fashion

CHÂTEAU CHEVAL BLANC SAINT-EMILION 2015

This estate, ranked premier grand cru classe A, is owned by LVMH chairman and CEO Bernard Arnault and, like his fashion empire, is always achieving new heights. Its Bordeaux 2015 is extraordinary, with phenomenal aromas of cherry, flowers, blackberry and sandalwood. Full-bodied, dense, polished. Tannins like the finest, densest silk. Perfect proportions. Compact. Seamless. Gorgeous now but give it six or seven years. ● **99 points**



CHÂTEAU D'YQUEM SAUTERNES 2015

With 400 years of tradition, Chateau d'Yquem produces one of the world's premier whites. Its Sauternes' nectar-like, honeyed perfection earned it the unique designation of first great growth tailored for it in the 1855 classification of the best white wines of Bordeaux. Bernard Arnault is the new majority owner of Yquem. Very powerful yet bright and dry, the Sauternes 2015 is full-bodied, sweet yet phenolic and layered. Love the combination between tannin and sweetness. Incredible purity and beauty. The freshness and lightness make this wine, yet the depth and richness are undeniable. ● **99 points**



DOM PÉRIGNON CHAMPAGNE 2009

LVMH also owns Dom Pérignon, synonymous with iconic vintage Champagnes. Dom Pérignon was one of the early advocates of the micro-terroir-driven Champagnes now moving to the forefront. The 2009 offers gorgeous aromas of cream, apple, mango, honeysuckle and chalk following through to a full body and superfine, tight texture. Dense and agile. Vinous. It's like a top grand cru white Burgundy. Think Bâtard-Montrachet. More depth than 2006. Drink now. ● **97 points**

KRUG CHAMPAGNE GRANDE CUVÉE SPÉCIALE EDITION 159 ÈME EDITION NV

Founded in 1843 and bought by LVMH in 1999, Krug is one of Champagne's most revered houses. It focuses on its grande cuvée, a blend of up to 10 vintages that aims for a homogeneous style described as "the most generous expression of Champagne." This special edition has a beautiful array of complex toastiness, fresh and roasted mushrooms, lemon, tangerine and peach, with honeysuckle and some spicy elements. Distinctive, plush and alluringly long. Grapefruit and hazelnut finish. Drink now. ● **97 points**

CHÂTEAU RAUZAN-SÉGLA MARGAUX 2015

Chateau Rauzan-Ségla rivals the best of Bordeaux, producing solid, finely crafted reds with wonderfully integrated fruit density and racy tannins. The owners of Chanel control the property. The Margaux 2015 is extremely aromatic and full-bodied, with ultra-fine tannins, and a gorgeous core of ripe fruit, blackcurrant and blueberry. Racy and very long. So impressive. This needs four or five years to come around but already so fine. ● **97 points**



IL BORRO TOSCANA 2015

Ferruccio Ferragamo and his son Salvatore started making serious wine just over a decade ago at their luxurious hotel and hunting reserve, Il Borro. This is the best Il Borro to date, with fantastic blackberry, blueberry and sandalwood aromas that follow through to a full body, with masses of fruit yet bright and linear down the centre palate. A rich and toned wine. 50% merlot, 35% cabernet and the rest syrah, all organically grown. Best in 2022. ● **97 points**



CHÂTEAU LATOUR PAUILLAC 2015

As well as luxury group Kering (think Yves Saint Laurent, Gucci, Balenciaga and more), François Pinault owns a number of notable wineries, including Bordeaux first growth Chateau Latour, one of the world's greatest wine estates. The Pauillac 2015 is full-bodied yet so polished and refined. It rolls off the palate with fruit and salty flavours. Tight, focused and always refined. Pretty length. 97% cabernet sauvignon gives this brightness. Drink in 2022. ● **98 points**

EISELE VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY 2015

François Pinault added Eisele Vineyard, formerly known as Araujo Estate, to his portfolio in 2013. The Californian winery, which dates back to 1884, makes stellar cabernets but also a remarkable sauvignon blanc with great complexity, like the 2015, which is full-bodied, dense and tight with gorgeous intensity and length. Extremely persistent on the palate. A solid and racy red with complexity and vigour. Drink in 2022. ● **98 points**



CASTIGLION DEL BOSCO BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO RISERVA MILLESCENTO 2012

A luxury destination in the hills of Brunello di Montalcino, Castiglion del Bosco—the dream of Massimo Ferragamo—makes a regular Brunello and a single-vineyard one named Campo del Drago. While the latter shows great power and richness, the Riserva Brunello 2012 shows extra refinement. Very ripe and aromatic on the nose, with cedar, leather and dried-berry character. Full-bodied, dense and chewy with lots of fruit. Decadent and wild. Long, flavourful finish. Drink or hold. ● **95 points**

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