

TOP 100 WINES 2021



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This is my 11th annual edition of the Top 100 wines. And this is my most anticipated and most highly viewed article that I write each and every year hands down. I am surprised as I have many more thoughtful and compelling articles each and every year. But it is a compliment that so many want to see what is in my ranking of wines of the year.

My list is always different from other wine reviews and publications. My list is sorted alphabetically and not by a specific meaning of what number one means—it is simply a list where the ranking is in the point scores not necessarily a hierarchy.

It is impossible, especially, one and only one wine being ranked above all others is absurd—why would one style be it sparkling, still or sweet or even varietally specific be superior to all other wines?! That makes no sense. My list is more democratic and realistic—after all I don't give out 100 or 99 point scores (unlike some wine reviewers who give it out "perfects" liberally and rarely do I ever a 98 or 97 point). I do think and I've said before my scoring is very much a bell curve statistically speaking.

- Château de Pressac Grand Cru Classé Saint-Émilion 2018 - 94 Points