

Wine Advocate #212  
Review by Robert Parker - Apr 2014

2011 Branon 94

A spectacular jewel from the Garcin family, this small vineyard near Haut-Bergey consists of 15 acres planted with Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. A dense purple color is accompanied by notes of blackberries, cassis, graphite and charcoal embers that cut a broad, medium to full-bodied swath across the palate. It is another 2011 that proves the surprisingly high quality of the wines from Pessac-Leognan and Graves in this vintage as well as the qualitative commitments of the Garcin family. Drink it over the next 10-15 years.

Wine Spectator  
James Molesworth - Web only : Posted:  
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CHÂTEAU BRANON

Pessac-Léognan 2011 - Score: 92

Dense and broad-shouldered, this carries a toasted frame, offering fig, currant and espresso notes at the core for balance. Youthfully raw and backward today. Best from 2017 through 2030.

Wine Advocate #200  
Robert Parker - Apr 2012

2011 Branon 91-93

A Bordeaux Blend Dry Red Table wine from Pessac Leognan, Bordeaux, France  
Unfortunately, there are only 500-600 cases of Branon produced from a blend of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon grown in a vineyard situated near Malartic-Lagraviere and Haut-Bailly. Much better than its stablemate Haut-Bergey, the 2011 Branon exhibits notes of camphor, barbecue smoke, black currants and blueberries. This intensely rich effort tastes of old vines, ink and graphite. This medium to full-bodied, rich Pessac-Leognan should drink well for 15 or more years

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Red Bordeaux by Appellation

**CHÂTEAU BRANON Pessac-Léognan 2011**

**91-94**

This has a nice sappy core, showing lots of linzer torte and kirsch notes, with fresh, mouthwatering toasted spice hints chiming in on the finish. Offers solid flesh and drive. An excellent effort.

**Decanter.com** by Steven

Spurrier Pessac-Léognan

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**Bordeaux Primeurs 2011 Live**

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Rapport 9 (28 avril 2012)

**Chateau Branon, Pessac-Leognan 2011**

**15,5**

Lifted cassis fruit, good clarity and depth but a shows a little greenness. Drink 2015-2020.

Les Primeurs 2011 à Bordeaux **REGION DES GRAVES** PESSAC-LEOGNAN ROUGES **CHÂTEAU**

**BRANON**

**14,5**

Un Pessac-Léognan tout en saveur et en équilibre, s'appuyant sur un fruit puissant, un joli boisé épicé, de la minéralité et de beaux tanins ronds et frais à la fois.

**GRAVES ET PESSAC-LEOGNAN ROUGES**

... et **Branon** remarquables Ousiders, suscitent mon admiration pour leur caractère complet et équilibré.

**BRANON Pessac-Léognan**

**16,75 // 91**

Couleur sombre, intense, belle. Nez fin, fruité, très aromatique, mûr, vanillé. Touche de crème brûlée. Très belle entrée en bouche soyeuse où le vin se développe ascendant, avec beaucoup de goût, un corps élancé, doublé d'un gras fin. Très savoureux à partir du milieu de bouche, il s'étire en finale sur une belle construction, des arômes et des tanins fins. C'est beau et c'est bon !