

MARKS & TASTING NOTES



		VINTAGE 2023		2022							
		LA CROIX YOUNAN	ZAYA	LA CROIX YOUNAN		ZAYA	EXCELLENCE	ICONE	LES JARDINS	ASCUMBAS VINUS	ZAYA BLANC
NAME	SITE	Primeurs	Primeurs	Primeurs	Livrables	Livrables	Livrables	Livrables	Livrables	Livrables	Livrables
	Decanter				97 BiS *	90					
GALLONI Antonio	Vinous.com	93	92		93	92	94	89	88		
SUCKLING James	JamesSuckling.com	90	91		92	93	91	92	91		
MULLEN Tom	Forbes	92	96-97		94+	97	95+	94-95	93		
MOSER Peter	Falstaff			94							
CHOUCKROUN Jonathan	Vert de Vin	91	90		90	90		90	89		
BECK Yves	yvesbecks.wine	90-93				91		91	90		
	Los Angeles Wine Comp									Silver	Silver
VOSS Roger	Wine Enthusiast										
ANSON Jane	Inside Bordeaux	92	88			92					
DE GROOT Ronald	Perswijn			93							
DEL MONEGO Markus	TastingBook			90							
BURTSCHY Bernard	BernardBurtschy.com			89							
HARDING Julia	Jancis Robinson			93							
BYKLUM Christer	TastingBook										
SAUTTER Ulrich	Falstaff										
HINDLE Georgina	Decanter				91						
VAN VELSEN Adrien	vwine			88-89							
LEVE Jeff	Thewinesellerinsider				90	90					
	Guide Hachette										
	TastingBook			91							

6 months after harvest
 18 months after harvest
 * BiS = Best in Show



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NAME	SITE	2021			2020			2019		2018	2017
		LA CROIX YOUNAN		ZAYA	LA CROIX YOUNAN		ZAYA	LA CROIX YOUNAN		LA CROIX YOUNAN	LA CROIX YOUNAN
		Primeurs	Livrables	Livrables	Primeurs	Livrables	Livrables	Primeurs	Livrables	Primeurs	Livrables
	Decanter		89	90		92	95				
GALLONI Antonio	Vinous.com				89	88			89		91
SUCKLING James	JamesSuckling.com		90		92	91			92		
MULLEN Tom	Forbes										
MOSER Peter	Falstaff	90	91		90	91		90	93		
CHOUCKROUN Jonathan	Vert de Vin		91	91		93	90				
BECK Yves	yvesbecks.wine				90	89			88	90	
	Los Angeles Wine Comp					Silver	Silver				
VOSS Roger	Wine Enthusiast					92					
ANSON Jane	Inside Bordeaux				91				90		
DE GROOT Ronald	Perswijn	92			92			92			
DEL MONEGO Markus	TastingBook				89				91		
BURTSCHY Bernard	BernardBurtshy.com	93			90						
HARDING Julia	Jancis Robinson										
BYKLUM Christer	TastingBook	90			90						
SAUTTER Ulrich	Falstaff				91						
HINDLE Georgina	Decanter										
VAN VELSEN Adrien	vwine	88-90			89-91			90		88-90	
LEVE Jeff	Thewinesellerinsider		88			89			89		
	Guide Hachette					1 star					
	TastingBook	91			91			93			





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97

CHATEAU LA CROIX
YOUNAN 2022







This St Emilion wine, has bright, fresh scents with ample black fruits to the fore; the palate is generous and soft-textured yet shapely and long, with softly cedary complexities shading the dark plum fruits. This will be a 2022 to enjoy relatively soon, though the constitution of the vintage will ensure it holds well as it modulates towards a gentle and open-pored old age.



BEST IN SHOW



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97

CHATEAU ZAYA
2022

TOM MULLEN
Forbes

Château Zaya. Saint-Émilion Grand Cru. 2022. 97 points.

Layered and succulent aromas that blend red and dark fruit with earthy tones, and include red cherries, candy cane and peppermint. Beautifully soft tannins in a luscious mid palate that is balanced, harmonious and layered with all things nice—peppercorns, Dutch salty licorice, red cherries, gumballs, black berries, mushrooms and anise on the finish. Classic layered beauty from Saint-Émilion. Pair with buttered artichoke followed by duck breast and foie gras, or with a decadent dessert such as pumpkin pie.





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95+
EXCELLENCE DE
LA CROIX YOUNAN
2022

TOM MULLEN
Forbes

Excellence
DE LA CROIX YOUNAN
LA MAISON YOUNAN
SAINT-ÉMILION GRAND CRU
2020

Château La Croix Younan. Excellence. Saint-Émilion Grand Cru. 2022. 95+ points.

Bay leaves, black pepper, red plum and red cherry aromas. A hearty, chewy full bodied wine brimming with spice and a range of flavors—sesame, salted beef jerky, sage and peppermint. Delightful and fulfilling. Bright acidity and a strong tannic backbone. Pair with slightly spicy Asian food.





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Chateau La Croix Younan. **ICône**. Saint-Émilion Grand Cru. 2022. 94-95 points

...y and varied aromas that include florals, gingerbread, meringue and plums. Stout
...ying mid palate with tannic structure and flavors that include soy, biltong and black
...es. Pair with shish kebab beef and pork and green peppers, or a vegetarian risotto
...rooms. Still young—needs some years to age.



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CHATEAU LA CROIX YOUNAN 2022

BEST IN SHOW

Out of 18 000 wines tasted !



CHATEAU ZAYA 2020



CHATEAU LA CROIX YOUNAN 2020



CHATEAU ZAYA 2021



CHATEAU ZAYA 2022



VIGNOBLES YOUNAN
YOUNAN WINE ESTATES



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Château ZAYA 2023

PRIMEURS

FORBES
Tom MULLEN
96-97 Pts

VINOUS
Antonio GALLONI
92 Pts

James SUCKLING
91 Pts

VERT DE VIN
J. CHOUCKROUN
90 Pts





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CHATEAU LA CROIX YOUNAN 2023

PRIMEURS

FORBES
Tom MULLEN
92 Pts

Yves BECK
90-93 Pts

James SUCKLING
90 Pts

Jane ANSON
92 Pts

VINOUS
Antonio GALLONI
93 Pts

VERT DE VIN
J. CHOUCKROUN
91 Pts





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DECANTER 2023

95

intense, dark-purple fruit, luscious black cherry and stewed plum. Sweet and enticing, deeply concentrated, layered with coffee beans, chocolate and elegant graphite. Fresh and focused on the palate, with a lingering poised finish.



92

Black plum and red cherry aromas, with hints of developed raisined fruit. Dense palate, deep fruit, dried herbs, soy and roasted coffee beans





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PRIMEURS 2023

Antonio Galloni
vinous

93

CHATEAU
LA CROIX YOUNAN
2020
SAINT-EMILION
GRAND CRU
MIS EN BOUTEILLE AU CHATEAU

From: Bordeaux at the Crossroads: 2023 En Primeur (April 2024)

The 2023 La Croix Younan is an attractive, vibrant Saint-Émilion. Bright acids lift a core of red-toned fruit, blood orange, mint, spice, new leather, cedar and wildflowers. This intriguing Saint-Émilion has a ton to recommend it.

- By Antonio Galloni on April 2024



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95

INTENSE, dark black purple fruits, luscious black cherries
and stewed plum. Sweet and enticing,
deeply **CONCENTRATED**, layered with coffee beans,
chocolate and **ELEGANT** graphite...

DECANTER
Château Zaya 2020



**SAINT-ÉMILION
GRAND CRU**



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CHATEAU
LA CROIX YOUNAN
(Primeurs)

Ronald DE GROOT /
PERSWIJN

2022	93 pts
2021	92 pts
2020	92 pts
2019	92 pts

SAINT-ÉMILION
GRAND CRU

Achieving Excellence



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**"A RICH and
FLESHY wine".
VERT DE VIN**



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PRIMEURS 2023

JAMES SUCKLING.COM

91 PTS.

JAMES SUCKLING.COM

CHÂTEAU ZAYA
ST EMILION GRAND CRU 2023

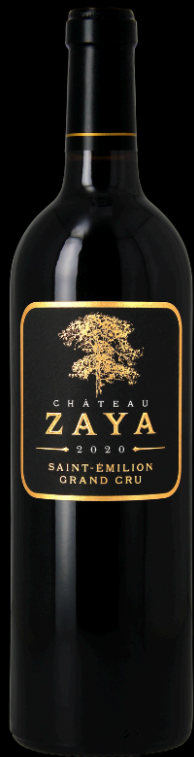
A rather delicate wine from Merlot and a touch of Cabernet Franc. Medium bodied, fine tannins and a light finish. Very Fine.



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CHÂTEAU ZAYA



PRIMEURS 2023

96-97 Tom Mullen

92 Antonio Galloni

91 James Suckling





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SILVER MEDALS

VIGNOBLES YOUNAN
YOUNAN WINE ESTATES

ASCUMBAS VINUS 2022

ZAYA Blanc 2022

**LOS ANGELES
INTERNATIONAL WINE COMPETITION**



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JAMES SUCKLING.COM 

90 PTS.
JAMES SUCKLING.COM 

CHÂTEAU LA CROIX YOUNAN
ST EMILION GRAND CRU 2021

Plenty of red and blue plums with some stones, sweet spices and fine herbs. Medium body with lightly chewy tannins and a light, elegant finish. Not a wine of excellent depth, but it shows nice linearity and some early appeal.