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Reviewed in January - March 2017

### Decanter

95 pts, Jane Anson

« This was the first official vintage where the grand vin was joined by second label Annonce de Bélaïr-Monange, and they had also had three years of sourcing grapes from across both estates at this point. This is seriously good, with rich liquorice and fresh mint notes, well balanced but with punch, showing crushed raspberry fruits and a saline finish that I get in pretty much every recent vintage of Bélaïr-Monange. Its great persistency, richness and texture are testament to the success of their strategy here. »

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96 pts, James Suckling

« Extremely perfumed with rose aromas that turn to strawberries and citrus. Some stones, too. Full-bodied, yet reserved and ultra-refined. It goes on for minutes. Power with finesse. Try in 2022 but already a joy to taste. »

### vinous

96 pts, Antonio Galloni

« A huge, dramatic wine for the year, the 2014 Bélaïr-Monange possesses tremendous depth and overall intensity. Succulent black cherry, leather, spice and menthol are some of the many notes that flesh out in this dramatic, massively endowed Saint-Émilien. The fruit feels very ripe, yet there is plenty of underlying structure and acidity to balance things out. Since 2012, Bélaïr-Monange has been made from three parcels on gravel, clay and limestone. It is that very intersection that yields one of the most distinctive wines in Saint-Émilien. The 2014 is also the first vintage that includes fruit from the replanting done on the plateau. Bélaïr-Monange increasingly gives the two established flagships in the Moueix family's range (Trotañoy and La Fléur-Petrus) a run for their money. »

### WINEENTHUSIAST

96 pts, Roger Voss

« With the amalgamation of Château Magdelaine into this one property, the estate is now a considerable 58 acres. The wine is now performing in top gear. Powerful tannins drive the mainly Merlot blend with 10% Cabernet Franc. It still shows signs of the wood aging and these will disappear to leave a richly endowed wine with a fine future. Drink from 2026. »