

Château de Lavernette Beaujolais



Beaujolais-Villages “Le Jeune” 2025

The 2025 Beaujolais-Villages “Le Jeune” bottling from Xavier and Kerrie de Boissieu (who own Château de Lavernette) is their improvement on Beaujolais Nouveau, as they seek to capture the vivacity of young gamay without stunting the wine with typical Nouveau cellar techniques. So the wine is given a short maceration, though it is fermented with indigenous yeasts and is aged two months in concrete vats prior to bottling. The 2025 Le Jeune is vibrant on the nose, hopping from the glass in a blend of cherries, sweet cranberries, whole clusters, a lovely base of soil, vinesmoke and a topnote of violets. On the palate the wine is bright, medium-bodied and complex, with a crunchy core of red fruit, tangy acids, only a wisp of tannin and lovely focus and balance on the long and juicy finish. This is lovely juice. 2026-2031.

89 pts– John Gilman, View from the Cellar, March-April 2026