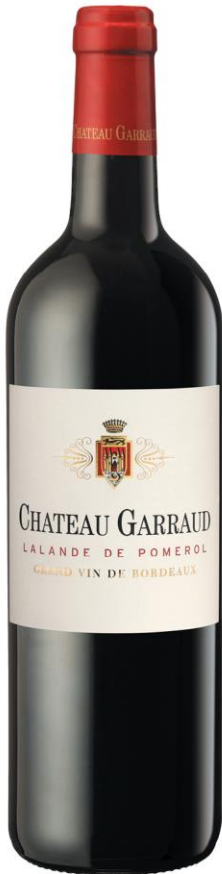




CHATEAU GARRAUD

LALANDE DE POMEROL - VINTAGE 2016



Created by the Count de Kermartin in the mid-19th century, Garraud's vineyards appear in the 1868 edition of Le Féret (Bordeaux wine directory). Léon Nony bought the vineyard in 1939 and started to renovate and expand it. After his death in 1959, his son, Michel, then his grandson, Jean-Marc, continued his work. In the 1990's, the vat room and cellars were completely renovated to incorporate new techniques and the latest thinking in terms of vinification and ageing, while preserving traditional know-how. In 1997 and 2007, the family extended the vineyards.

SOIL TYPE :

"First Wine" from a vineyard of around 36 hectares located on the geological prolongation of the Pomerol plateau, varied soils (clay, gravel, clay-silt).

AVERAGE AGE OF VINES : Around 30 years old

PLANTING DENSITY : Around 6,000 vines/ha

VINEYARD MANAGEMENT :

Double Guyot pruning, bud removal, sustainable soil enrichment, leaf thinning, green harvesting if necessary, ploughing, managed grass cover, harvesting when the grapes reach perfect maturity.

ENVIRONMENT :

Vine treatments only if necessary (with preference given to more environmentally-friendly products and application methods), effluent treatment, the use of local suppliers when possible, and selective waste management.

VINIFICATION :

Plot selection, sorting of the harvested grapes, full destemming, fermentation in stainless steel temperature-controlled vats, control of the maceration process and vinification temperatures.



BLEND : 79% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc, 1% Cabernet Sauvignon.

AGEING : 29% in new oak barrels, 33% in 1 and 2 years old barrels, 38% in vats.

WEATHER CONDITIONS : The water tables had been replenished after a rainy winter and spring. Flowering took place in good conditions. A superb dry, hot summer, followed by a summery start to the autumn with low rainfall, enabled the grapes to ripen well.

PRESS RELEASE :

. **90-91/100 Jamessuckling.com** : «Firm, silky and muscular with a pretty combination of silky tannins and bright acidity. Medium body and a linear finish. Chewy.» - James Suckling, USA, March 2017.

. **SILVER Medal (92 pts) London International Wine Challenge** - GB, May 2018.

. **14,5-15 Le Point** : « Cherries, elderberries, fresh, meaty, soft, fine tight juicy tannins, well-balanced ageing, well-rounded, taut.». **Jacques Dupont, Le Point N°2332, France.**

YIELD : 55 hl/ha

DATES OF HARVEST : From September 22 to October 24.

TASTING NOTES : The garnet hue is dark and bright, the very developed nose opens with notes of black fruit and toast, the palate is wide and lengthened by the tannins which are still very noticeable yet silky.

Best drinking time : 2021 - 2031



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The abuse of alcohol is dangerous for health. Consume with moderation.

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