

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855



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Meanwhile at Château Grand Puy Lacoste, Xavier Borie commented upon the vinification...

"You had to be careful in the way it fermented. It was not a huge structure, not too much remontage and a slightly cooler temperature. The acidity is a touch higher than last year."

As expected, both G.P.L. and Château Haut-Batailley are drawn along classical lines, which is part of their DNA. They do not possess the structure of previous vintages, but they are what you might term as "architectural" wines, modelled upon neat lines, conservative and perhaps just a little austere, but you could easily imagine them popping up in gentleman's clubs in ten-years time.

2013 Lacoste-Borie (86-88)

The Lacoste Borie is a blend of 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc. It has a light and slightly tertiary bouquet with touches of cedar and pinecones emerging with time. The palate is medium-bodied with brisk acidity straight from the start. This is a light, classic style of Lacoste Borie full of freshness, if not the length and depth of a great vintage. Tasted April 2014.