



CHÂTEAU GRAND-PUY-LACOSTE

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855
PAUILLAC

Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste 2018



- ✦ **Date of harvest** September, 21st to October, 5th 2018
- ✦ **Blend** 78% Cabernet Sauvignon - 22% Merlot
- ✦ **Tasting notes**
Grand-Puy-Lacoste 2018 is one of a series of great vintages. The blend has a majority of Cabernet Sauvignon (78%) whose character and charm so perfectly express the richness and quality of this distinguished terroir. This wine is deep magenta, intense and brilliant. The bouquet reveals aromas of ripe black fruits and liquorice, underlining the grapes' perfect maturity, whilst keeping a pretty freshness and good minerality. On the palate, the attack is precise, very dense and complex. This 2018 has a very fine balance combining power, elegance and complexity. It has a long, very aromatic and tannic finish. The whole emphasizing the great ageing potential of this wine. This vintage is no doubt one of the great success stories of the chateau and what more fitting way to celebrate this 40th anniversary!
- ✦ **Total vineyard surface** 90 hectares around the Château
- ✦ **Vineyard surface under production** 58 hectares in one block around the Château
- ✦ **Average age of the vines** 38 years old
- ✦ **Soil - Terroir** Very deep coarse gravel
- ✦ **Vineyard grape varieties** 75% Cabernet Sauvignon - 20% Merlot - 5% Cabernet Franc
- ✦ **Density of planting** 10 000 vines/hectares
- ✦ **Rootstock** Riparia gloire & 101.14
- ✦ **Growing of the vines** Mechanical ploughing of the soil Viticulture practices: Spraying kept to the absolute effective minimum
- ✦ **Harvest** Exclusively hand picked
- ✦ **Grape sorting** Two successive selections before and after the de-stemming process
- ✦ **Vinification** A long period of maceration (about 3 weeks)
- ✦ **Ageing** In French oak barrels (75% new barrels each vintage) for between 16 to 18 months depending on the vintage.
- ✦ **Owner** M. François-Xavier BORIE
- ✦ **Oenologist - R&D Director** Ms Christel SPINNER
- ✦ **Cellar Master** M. Benoît ESTASSY
- ✦ **Vineyard Manager** M. Antonio FLORES
- ✦ **Consultant oenologist** M. Eric BOISSENOT
- ✦ **Public relation** Miss Emeline BORIE
- ✦ **Second wine** Lacoste Borie