



CHÂTEAU GRAND-PUY-LACOSTE

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855
PAUILLAC

Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste 2016



- ✦ **Date of harvest** September, 28th to October, 13th 2016
- ✦ **Blend** 79% Cabernet Sauvignon - 21% Merlot
- ✦ **Tasting notes**
Grand Puy Lacoste 2016 is an example once again of a vintage marked by a significant proportion of Cabernet Sauvignon in the assemblage - 79%, which demonstrates the tremendous potential of its terroir. The wine has a deep, bright crimson colour. There are aromas of intense black fruit which explode on the nose, underlining the character of perfectly ripe grapes whilst retaining an attractive mineral freshness. The whole is floral with a touch of spiciness. On the palate, there is a crescendo of flavours, suave, dense and complex. 2016 has fine balance and freshness coupled with a long finish sustained by ripe tannins. Once more, we find in this fine vintage the expression of the great terroir of Grand Puy Lacoste which underlines all its richness, complexity and elegance. It will take its place without any doubt among the great successes of the property thus completing a fine trilogy of vintages.
- ✦ **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. Philippe GOUZE
- ✦ **Vineyard Manager** M. Antonio FLORES
- ✦ **Consultant oenologist** M. Eric BOISSENOT
- ✦ **Public relation** Miss Emeline BORIE



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* Second wine Lacoste Borie

