

## Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste 2012



76% Cabernet Sauvignon - 24% Merlot

## Tasting note

The blend of Grand-Puy-Lacoste 2012 is a majority Cabernet Sauvignon (76%) which offers a nice balanced structure and illustrates the potential of the vineyard. This wine has an enticing, dark and very intense, ruby colour. The bouquet reveals aromas of ripe black fruit and cassis complemented by spicy notes with great freshness. The palate is precise and dense, evolving into charming and well

Total surface area of the estate 90 hectares around the Château

Vineyard in production 55 hectares in one block around the Château

Average age of the vineyard 38 years old

Terroir Very deep coarse gravel

Vineyard grape varieties 75% Cabernet Sauvignon - 20% Merlot - 5% Cabernet Franc

Planting density 10 000 vines/hectares

Grafting Riparia gloire & 101.14

Vineyard management Mechanical ploughing of the soil Viticulture practices: Spraying kept to the absolute effective minimum

Harvest Exclusively hand picked rounded tannins with good length and structure. The overall impression is one of purity and elegance. This 2012 is once again a beautiful expression of the potential held by the terroir of Grand-Puy-Lacoste, this wine will be part of the great lineage of Grand-Puy-Lacoste vintages.

Grape sorting Two successive selections before and after the destemming process

Vinification A long period of maceration (about 3 weeks)

Aging In French oak barrels (75% new barrels each vintage) for between 16 to 18 months depending on the vintage.

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