

“I can certainly see that you know your wine. Most of the guests who stay here wouldn't know the difference between Bordeaux and Claret.” - Basil Fawlty

Château Recougne Blanc 2020, Bordeaux, £7.99 ABV 13.5%

Bordeaux Blanc' is just 7% of the region's produce. Flavours of green apple, honeysuckle and pear!. Bone dry and elegant with a zesty edge to the flavours of grapefruit and green apple. Extra body and roundness is added by the Semillon.

Domaines Barons de Rothschild Lafite 'Réserve Spéciale' 2019, Médoc, £14.99, ABV 13.5%

2019 was a year of contrasts, and was characterized by tremendous variation. A cool spring, scorching heat in the summer and dry weather throughout the year prevented the development of diseases. However, cold, rainy weather in June disrupted flowering, causing coulure and millerandage. Furthermore, water stress, which varied depending on the area and the terroir, resulted in some instances of ripening being checked. The berries were therefore small, resulting in lower than usual yields. Fortunately, there was some rain after 22 September, which relaunched the ripening process and enabled the red grape varieties to reach a good level of maturity.

VARIETALS

Cabernet sauvignon : 50%

Merlot : 50%

TASTING NOTES

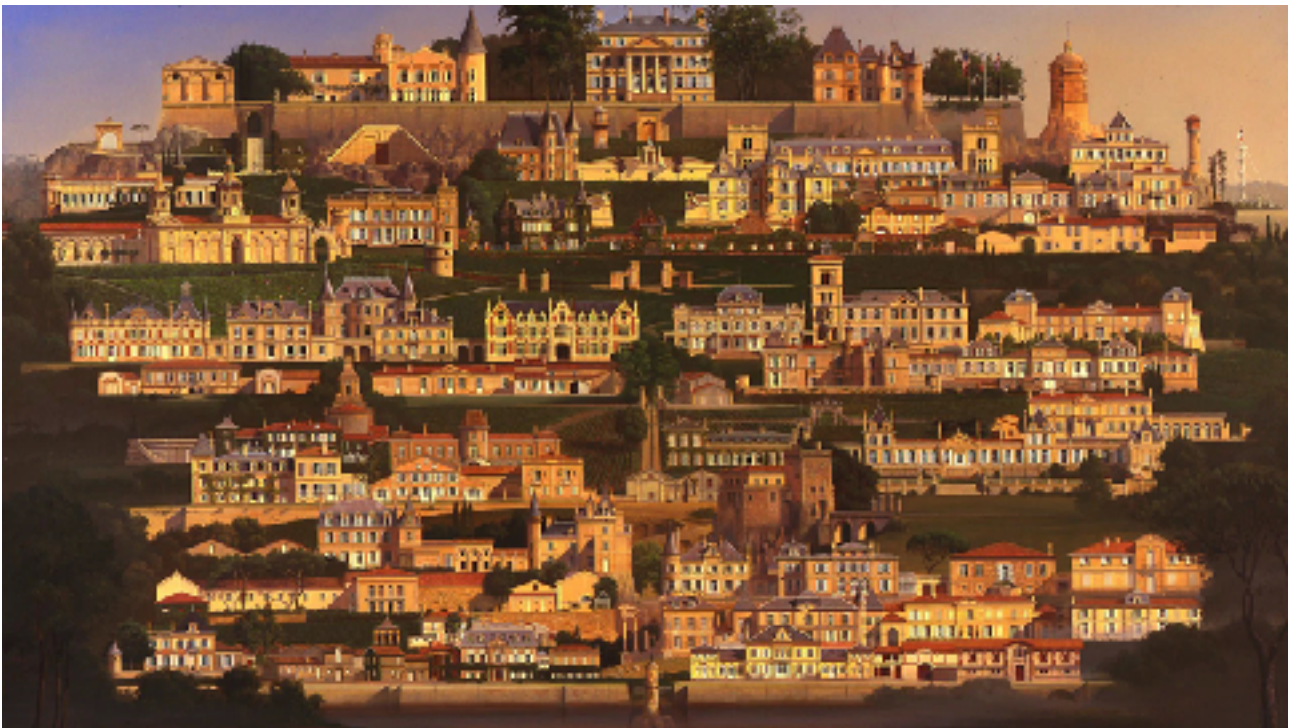
Beautiful deep garnet colour.

The aromatic nose is dominated by spicy aromas (vanilla and nutmeg). The palate is full-bodied, supple and balanced with subtle, perfectly integrated oaky notes, continuing into a long spicy finish. A fine example of this elegant vintage in the Médoc.



Definition Sauternes 2013, £19.99 (75cl) ABV 13%

Sauternes, in Bordeaux, is responsible for some of the world's finest 'stickies'. The dessert wines here are made from rare Sémillon and Sauvignon Blanc grapes and can age for decades. 'Mystery' château that's made wine since 1709. Classified as a 2nd Cru Classé in the 1855 classification and was even temporarily known as Château Sauternes (probably Château Filhot). Luscious yet well-balanced with flavours of dry apricot, citrus and honey.



Artist Carl Laubin was commissioned to produce this painting of Bordeaux's 61 classified growths in 1992

Penfolds Father Tawny, Australia £19.99, ABV 18.5%

"The 10 year old, pale amber-tawny colored Father Grand Tawny is intensely scented of dried mulberries, sultanas, treacle and caramel with a marmalade lift. Big, expressive and rich with a nuttiness in the mouth, it finishes very long and very sweet." Lisa Perrotti-Brown - The Wine Advocate

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