

Grand Cru Classé en 1855 Pauillac





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## Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste 2018 - Pauillac

**Score**: 95

Another success from Grand-Puy-Lacoste – it's bright and full of juice, prioritising vibrancy over power. As such, it has a touch less Pauillac typicity than in the absolutely brilliant 2016 vintage at this estate, although as it unfurls through the palate you do get the menthol, cassis and smoked cedar that is just such a beautiful sign of ripe Cabernet up in this corner of the world.

They were extremely careful with extraction because of the high alcohols, so grapes underwent the shortest maceration to date with no pumping over just an infusion during the extraction process.

Harvest took place between 21 September and 5 October. 12% press wine. 75% new oak used. A yield of 40hl/ha. - Drinking Window 2026 - 2040