



CHÂTEAU GRAND-PUY-LACOSTE

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855
PAUILLAC

Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste 2009



- ✦ **Date of harvest** 24th of September to 7th of October 2009
- ✦ **Blend** 80% Cabernet Sauvignon - 18% Merlot - 2% Cabernet Franc
- ✦ **Tasting notes**
This is a very good vintage with quality underlined by cabernets sauvignons of exceptional nobility.
This wine presents a very deep, dark red colour. The "bouquet" reveals aromas of complex fruits and hints of ripe blackcurrant. The attack on the palate is precise, very dense, and follows with an exceptional velvety richness. The tannins are suave and elegant. It shows a beautiful complexity, combining smoothness and purity. A very well balanced wine with a spectacular length. In one word, a Grand Puy Lacoste with the promise of a bright future!
- ✦ **Total vineyard surface** 90 hectares around the Château
- ✦ **Vineyard surface under production** 55 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 (70% new barrels each vintage) for between 16 to 18 months depending on the vintage.
- ✦ **Owner** M. François-Xavier BORIE
- ✦ **Cellar Master** M. Philippe GOUZE
- ✦ **Vineyard Manager** M. Marc DUVOCELLE
- ✦ **Consultant oenologist** MM. Jacques & Eric BOISSENOT
- ✦ **Public relation** Miss Emeline BORIE
- ✦ **Second wine** Lacoste Borie