

Sélection Prestige



SÉLECTION PRESTIGE BORDEAUX RED 2016

Made by Domaines Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) team with the same care and passion that is given to their grands crus, Sélection Prestige wines offer a great discovery of Bordeaux terroirs and tastes.

■ VINEYARD ATTRIBUTES

Appellation : AOC Bordeaux, France

Sélection Prestige Bordeaux rouge comes from Entre-deux-Mers région.

Terroir : Entre-deux-Mers vineyard rests on the hillsides located between the two rivers South East of Bordeaux : the Dordogne and the Garonne. This vast territory offers an interesting diversity of terroirs and soils, ranging from chalky-clay plots well suited for Merlot, to well-exposed gravelous slopes perfect for Cabernet Sauvignon.

■ VINTAGE SUMMARY

2016 has been a remarkable vintage in the Bordeaux region, reminiscent of the legendary 1990 in terms of both quantity and quality! It was a fairly challenging year for winegrowers, with a very wet start to the growth cycle (800 mm of rain over the first six months of the year), a very dry period from 1 July to 13 September, and finally localized thunderstorms and a beautiful Indian summer that enabled the grapes to reach optimal ripeness. Excluding the areas affected by frost, hail, or outbreaks of mildew, and in contrast to the rest of France's vineyards, overall yields this year in Bordeaux were the highest since 2011 (up 10%). The red wines are rich, smooth and fruity, with tannins of a rarely obtained maturity and very deep colours.

■ WINE MAKING SCHEME

This wine is made according to traditional methods in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks. Alcoholic fermentation was followed by 15 days of maceration at 28°C allowing for a gentle extraction of colour and tannins.

■ TASTING NOTES

Colour: Deep crimson-purple.

Nose: Intense and seductive, mingling aromas of red fruit (raspberry and blackcurrant) with notes of candied liquorice and spices.

Palate: Well-balanced, with rich, silky tannins and a pleasant freshness on the finish.



TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Varietals : Merlot 80%, Cabernet sauvignon 20%

Yield : 50 hL/ha

Alcohol content : 13 % vol.

pH : 3.30

Total acidity : 3.20 g/l