

CHÂTEAU LA LOUVIÈRE



Château La Louvière White 2015

AOC Pessac-Léognan, Bordeaux, France

PRESENTATION

Château La Louvière has long been famous for its white wines. In fact, these already highly-prized by Canadian merchants in the 17th century ! A century later, they were to be found on the finest tables in Saint Petersburg. The very elegant white La Louvière is now among the finest dry white wines in the Graves, and is a fine ambassador for the Pessac-Léognan appellation. Marked by the Sauvignon Blanc varietal character, but not overly so, it can age remarkably well.

THE VINTAGE

WEATHER CONDITIONS

2015 was the third warmest year since 1900... Drought conditions, above-average monthly temperatures and sunshine (in the first half of the year), cool nights and hot weather in August accompanying véraison (colour change) were all ideal for the vines!

HARVEST

09/02/2015

THE WINE

VARIETALS

Sauvignon blanc 100%

ALCOHOL CONTENT

13.5 % vol.

TASTING

2015 white La Louvière has a brilliant, elegant, pale yellow colour. Very promising, with charming suggestions of citrus and white fruit (nectarine). Starts off elegant and velvety. Well-balanced with vanilla flavour and citrus nuances. Subtle, round, and has a beautiful finish.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Braised veal grenadins, lemon chicken, Bellevue lobster.

SERVING

Serve between 8°C and 11°C.

AGEING POTENTIAL

10 to 15 years



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THE VINEYARD

TERROIR

Deep gravel with fine limestone over small areas at the foot of the slopes.

SURFACE AREA OF THE VINEYARD

37.06 ac

AGE OF VINES

26 years old

IN THE VINEYARD

Pruning type: Double Guyot.

Grape Harvest: By hand in several passes.

THE CELLAR

WINEMAKING

After settling, in oak barrels.

AGEING

For 10 months in oak barrels (30% new) on full lees with bâtonnage.

REVIEWS AND AWARDS

"A racy style, with delicious yellow apple, white peach and verbena notes leading to a long, straw-accented finish. The underlying richness is tantalizing for future development." **90 - 93/100**
The Wine Spectator, James Molesworth, 01/04/2016

"Bravo to La Louviere this year! Made from 100% Sauvignon Blanc, which seemed to handle the heat better than Semillon, this wine is one of the best whites of the vintage – and the price should not be too onerous. There is a smooth and creamy texture, and yet you get fine balance and freshness, too. Bravo!" **92/100**
Panos Kakaviatos, Wine Chronicles, 30/01/2018

Decanter

"Weighty apricot fruit from a blend of Sauvignon Blanc and Semillon, and 30% new oak with lees stirring certainly fattens up the palate. This is going for upfront impact and full expression and carries it off very well. It's a contemporary spin and unashamedly so, without going over the top. Enjoyable. Drinking window : 2016 - 2023." **92/100**
Jane Anson, Decanter, 19/04/2016



"Pale greenish lemon colour. Intriguing, complex nose already. Very racy overall but with satisfying depth of fruit. Good balance. Sinewy. Very competent!" **17/20**
Jancis Robinson, 04/04/2016



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