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AOC Pessac-Léognan, Bordeaux, France

### PRESENTATION

Château Cuhins-Lurton is the emblematic estate of the André Lurton family. With a sublime terroir of gravel and clay, the red wines are made from fruity and smooth Merlot grapes of great elegance and a sophisticated smokiness.

### THE VINTAGE

#### WEATHER CONDITIONS

2018 was one of the warmest years since 1900, featuring above-average temperatures, the second hottest summer to date, and abundant sunshine! Heavy rainfall in the first half of the year was followed by persistent, near-record drought conditions in September.

#### HARVEST

09/18/2018

### THE WINE

#### VARIETALS

Merlot 100%

#### ALCOHOL CONTENT

14.5 % vol.

#### TASTING

Brilliant, clear, intense, and very deep purple colour scattered with almost black highlights. The expressive nose is dominated by delicious notes of black and red fruit (cherry), with delicate oak nuances. Starts off smooth, becoming round and sweet, making for a particularly enjoyable wine. Black fruit aromas follow through to the palate, accompanied by hints of well-integrated oak, culminating in a lovely fruity finish. All in all, an elegant wine with good ageing potential.

#### FOOD PAIRINGS

Beef fillet, cep mushroom ravioli, foie gras.

#### SERVING

Serve between 16°C and 18°C.

#### AGEING POTENTIAL

10 to 15 years



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### THE VINEYARD

#### TERROIR

Gravel

#### SURFACE AREA OF THE VINEYARD

39.53 ac

#### AGE OF VINES

25 years old

#### IN THE VINEYARD

Pruning type: Double guyot with debudding.

Grape Harvest: By hand.

### THE CELLAR

#### WINEMAKING

In stainless-steel temperature controlled tanks with patented cap-breaking system.

#### AGEING

For 12 months in oak barrels (40% new) with racking.

### REVIEWS AND AWARDS

#### Decanter

"Gorgeous wine, full of plump damson fruits with salinity on the finish and again a sense of poise that this the estate is delivering far more consistently since 2014. A yield of 43hl/ha. 50% new oak. Michel Rolland consults. Easily as good as the 2016, but with a sense of unmistakable pleasure. Drinking Window 2024 – 2044."

Jane Anson, Decanter, 05/05/2020

94/100

#### JAMES SUCKLING.COM

"A firm and chewy red with lots of blackberry and salty undertones. Full and flavorful."

James Suckling, 07/04/2019

92 - 93/100

"The vineyard at Cuhins-Lurton is planted exclusively to Merlot, so no prizes for guessing the assemblage here. The nose is all perfumed black plum, dusted with chalk and scents of peony. The palate is nicely textured, correct, polished, rather plump, with a firm grip of rich, chocolate-tinged tannins, supporting dried cherry fruits. Rich, bold, confident and laden with grip, this is a good result, one which will need some time to shake off those tannins. The élevage will be in 40% to 50% new oak, for 12 months."

Chris Kissack, The Wine Doctor, 23/04/2019

91 - 93/100

#### The Wine Cellar Insider

Jeff Leve, The Wine Cellar Insider, 02/05/2019

90 - 92/100



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