

CHÂTEAU LA LOUVIÈRE

Château La Louvière Red 2021

AOC Pessac-Léognan, Bordeaux, France



PRESENTATION

Château La Louvière has many fascinating facets. The sumptuous architecture of the château building dates from the late 18th century, but winegrowing here goes back more than 700 years. The first vines were planted circa 1310, although modern winemaking dates from the 17th century and was handed down by able monks from the Carthusian monastery in Bordeaux, who had acquired considerable talent as viticulturists and winemakers. The people who produce the wine in the 21st century have inherited these time-honoured methods, adding just the right amount of innovation and modernity to make the utmost of the outstanding terroir. La Louvière's red wine has a dark colour and an elegant bouquet with delicate hints of oak...

THE VINTAGE

WEATHER CONDITIONS

2021 was marked by very capricious weather. There was a lot of rain in the spring. An episode of frost at the beginning of April caused major damage. The summer was very mild, with no extreme heat. At the end of August, fine weather set in, with high temperatures during the day and cool nights: ideal conditions for ripening the grapes. These last few weeks were crucial to the success of this vintage.

HARVEST

21 September - 19 October 2021

THE WINE

VARIETALS

Merlot 55%, Cabernet sauvignon 45%

ALCOHOL CONTENT

13 % vol.

TASTING

An attractive cherry-red colour with a few purple highlights.

The nose opens with a woody note, before revealing a beautiful complexity of red and black fruit notes (cherry, blackcurrant). The combination of these aromas is a great success.

On the palate, the attack is straightforward. A lovely volume in the mid-palate makes for a very pleasurable tasting experience. This is a harmonious wine, with well-coated tannins. It is here that the fruit reveals all its complexity and richness. Château La Louvière Red 2021 also has a lovely freshness on the palate.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Grilled meats or meats in sauce, eggs casserole with truffles, turkey with chestnuts.

SERVING

For 12 months in oak barrels (40 50% new). Aged in 15% terra cotta amphoras.

AGEING POTENTIAL

Over 15 years



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THE VINEYARD

TERROIR

Deep gravel

SURFACE AREA OF THE VINEYARD

113.66 ac

AGE OF VINES

26 years old

IN THE VINEYARD

Pruning type: Double Guyot with debudding.
Grape Harvest: By hand with small deep crates.

THE CELLAR

WINEMAKING

Integral vinification (20% of the total volume) in various containers (wooden rolls, 500 liter oak barrels, terra cotta amphoras). Long vatting times and management of phenolic extractions.

AGEING

For 12 months in oak barrels (40-50 % new) with racking

REVIEWS AND AWARDS

Yves Beck

"Good intensity on the nose with notes of caramel, liquorice and dark berries followed by a touch of menthol. Full-bodied with compact, velvety tannins. A round, balanced and fruity wine."

92/93

Yves Beck - Beckustator, 01/06/2022

Antonio Galloni
vinous
EXPLORE ALL THINGS WINE

"The 2021 La Louvière is quite intense on the precise nose of blackberry, wild strawberry, cedar and tobacco scents. The palate is medium-bodied with fine-grained tannins, fresh and vibrant, leading to an elegant finish. A success in a difficult vintage."

91-93/100

Neal Martin, Vinous, 01/05/2022

The Wine Cellar Insider

"Floral in nature with accents of tobacco leaf, spice, dark currants, and smoke. The wine is round, polished, soft, and sweet, with plenty of ripe, dark red berries and polished tannins in the medium-bodied finish."

90-92/100

Jeff Leve, The Wine Cellar Insider, 25/05/2022

JANE ANSON
INSIDE BORDEAUX

"The epitome of cool blue fruit, on the border of full ripeness, where there is elegance and balance, expertly handled extraction, grilled almond and gunsmoke coming in under the fruit. This is a success, a lean, carefully constructed wine."

91/100

Jane Anson Inside Bordeaux, 12/05/2022



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