

CHÂTEAU LA LOUVIÈRE



Château La Louvière White 2020

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

2020 was marked by very mild temperatures and contrasting precipitation: heavy spring rainfall was followed by an intense summer drought. The fairly mild winter led to early bud break. The summer heat gave way to cool nights in late August, ideal for ripening grapes.

HARVEST

08/20/2020

THE WINE

VARIETALS

Sauvignon blanc 100%

ALCOHOL CONTENT

13 % vol.

TASTING

Colour is pale yellow with silver highlights.

Nose is intense, complex, revealing delicate notes of white fruit (pear, peach) and citrus (pomelo, lime).

Attack is ample. It is a fine and elegant wine, with a lot of volume in the middle of the mouth: a nice fatness, a nice freshness, a well-integrated woodiness. The notes of ripe white fruit (pear, peach) and citrus peel blend harmoniously together, enhanced by a hint of vanilla. Long and complex finish.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Bouchées à la Reine with sweetbreads, baked fish, cheese platter (hard cheeses, goat's cheeses).

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

JANE ANSON
INSIDE BORDEAUX

"Bright Sauvignon Blanc aromatics on the nose, this is good quality. Power, concentration and spiced citrus and slate minerality. Maintains momentum, easy to love. A yield of 31hl/ha, with 10 months ageing on lees with regular stirring in to fatten up the mouthfeel. An impressive La Louvière, stands out from recent vintages at this estate."

Jane Anson Inside Bordeaux, 01/05/2021

93/100

Antonio Galloni
vinous
explores all things wine

"Le La Louvière Blanc 2020, pur Sauvignon Blanc, cultivé à 31hl/ha, présente un bouquet attrayant de senteurs d'écorces d'orange, d'abricot, de kaki et de cire d'abeille qui gagne en complexité avec l'aération. La bouche est bien équilibrée, avec une acidité vive qui contrebalance bien les notes de mangue et d'écorce d'agrumes; légèrement épicée vers la finale, qui est persistante en arrière-goût. C'est un Blanc de La Louvière de grande classe."

Neal Martin, Vinous, 01/04/2021

90 - 92/100

LE FIGARO

"Ample and fleshy on the palate, very round, with notes of ripe pear and vanilla, it becomes more refined in the middle of the mouth and a tense match between a mellow roundness and a slightly lemony acidity which imposes itself on the finish."

Le Figaro, 08/06/2021

91 - 92/100

"Big, rich aromas, peach, citrus, white flowers, fine barrel nuance. Full-bodied, rich, creamy flavour with a long, rich finish."

Peter Winding, Vinbladet, 05/07/2021

92 - 93/100



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