

Château Couhins-Lurton



Château Couhins-Lurton White 2018

AOC Pessac-Léognan, Bordeaux, France

PRESENTATION

Château Couhins-Lurton is the emblematic estate of the André Lurton family. With a clay-limestone terroir unique to the appellation, the château produces Sauvignon Blancs with outstanding aromatic profiles bursting with fruit and hints of salinity, which age terrifically.

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

08/27/2018

THE WINE

VARIETALS

Sauvignon 100%

ALCOHOL CONTENT

13.5 % vol.

TASTING

Pale yellow colour with golden highlights.

The nose is powerful and wonderfully complex, revealing delicious aromas of white fruit (green apple, pear), enhanced by a touch of lemon zest.

Starts out juicy on the palate. A very well-balanced, elegant wine with remarkable aromas. Vivaciousness and freshness are the watchwords here.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Scallops, leak fondue, monkfish cooked in saffron sauce, cheese platters.

SERVING

Serve between 8°C and 11°C

AGEING POTENTIAL

10 to 15 years



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THE VINEYARD

TERROIR

Gravel, sand and gravel, on a subsoil of limestone

SURFACE AREA OF THE VINEYARD

14.82 ac

AGE OF VINES

27 years old

IN THE VINEYARD

Pruning type: Double guyot with debudding

Grape Harvest: By hand in several passes

THE CELLAR

WINEMAKING

After pressing and settling, in oak barrels (30% new).

AGEING

For 10 months in oak barrels on full lees with bâtonnage.

REVIEWS AND AWARDS

Decanter

"Fruitier in character than the preceding two vintages, with evident white peach, citrus and savoury pear. This is juicy and enjoyable with a silky finish. A yield of 35hl/ha. Harvest between 27 August and 11 September. Drinking Window 2020 - 2027."

Decanter, 05/05/2020

93/100

LE GUIDE HACHETTE DES VINS

"Pale yellow colour with green highlights for a smooth, delicate wine, which is instantly appealing thanks to its fresh and elegant bouquet of candied orange, lemon and grapefruit aromas, laced with vanilla and mineral nuances (oyster shells). Citrus notes follow through to the palate, which is full-bodied and soft with fine acidity, leading into a lovely long finish. All in all, a lively, elegant Pessac. 2021-2025."

Le Guide Hachette des Vins, 14/10/2020

2 Stars

"Bright and fresh, with a lively stream of lemon curd, verbena and honeysuckle flavors, backed by a subtle twinge of fleur de sel through the finish. Drink now through 2023."

The Wine Spectator, 31/03/2020

92/100

"Lots of Sauvignon character on the nose here, not surprising given that the white vineyards are planted exclusively to Sauvignon Blanc. It has a firm herbal twist, with a pine needle note coming to the fore. There follows a cool, energetic and lightly spritzy style on the palate, which gives it a real sense of life, with ripe flavours of white peach, apricot stone, lychee and salty minerals. The mark of 2018, perceptible but really rather low-key acidity, is evident here though. Having said that, this is

one of the more energetic wines in this vintage, despite having that rather subtle structure."

Chris Kissack, The Wine Doctor

91 - 93/100



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