



September 2013

La Réserve de Malartic Red 2010

2nd wine of Château Malartic-Lagravière
Classified Growth of Graves in Red and in White

Vintage

2010 was characterized by contrasting weather conditions. The winter was cold and dry, the spring alternated between sun and rain, while the summer was exceptionally dry (only 51 mm of rain in three months).

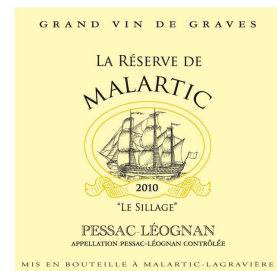
After a fine bud-break in early April, flowering took place in late May and early June, but struggled to finish, resulting in unevenness. Thinning and the subsequent weather were essential to correct or compensate for this lack of homogeneity (requiring three green harvests). As usual, September came to finish the task of ripening the grapes, with some rain at the beginning followed by exceptional sunshine and good temperatures that continued until 18 October. The harvests were calm and undisturbed. 2010 should present optimal quality.

Harvest period

Merlots	From 27 September to 9 October 2010
Cabernet Sauvignon	From 11 October to 18 October 2010
Cabernet Franc	From 8 October to 18 October 2010

Blend

Cabernet Sauvignon	50 %
Merlot	45 %
Cabernet Franc	5 %



Technical data

Appellation (A.O.C.)	Pessac-Léognan
Total area (A.O.C.)	53 hectares
Area in red (A.O.C.)	46 hectares
Géology	Well-drained gravels and clay gravels on shelly limestone and clay subsoil
Grape varieties	45% Merlot - 45% Cabernet Sauvignon 8% Cabernet Franc - 2% Petit Verdot
Density of plantation	10 000 plants / ha
Pruning method	Guyot double
Average yield	36 hl/ha
Vinification	Thermoregulated stainless steel or oak vats
Fermentation	4 weeks and half - 28 to 30° C
Ageing period	15 months
Oenologist Consultants	Michel Rolland & Athanase Fakorellis

Tasting

Brightly and deep ruby red color. The nose is intense with mellow aromas of ripe black berries with fine minerality.

The palate has a good volume and structure. It develops a range of dark and red fruits, tobacco, spicy and minerals notes. Excellent balance due to a pleasant freshness and a silky texture with a fine finish. Great length and overall impression of elegance.





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Press Release

Guide Hachette - Septembre 2013

La Réserve de Malartic, Le Sillage 2010 rouge a été cité pour son harmonie au palais. On pourra le goûter dans un an ou deux.

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Très réussi, tout en couleurs et en matière, aux senteurs de groseille et d'épices, de bouche riche, un vin complexe, charnu et souple à la fois, de très bonne évolution.

James Molesworth - Wine Spectator - Alphabetical Guide 2010 - March 2013 **89**

Véronique Raisin et Alain Chameyrat - Terre de Vins - Juillet - Août 2012

15.5 *Un boisé prégnant au prime abord, qui se fond en bouche sous une bonne chair, des tanins arrondis et polis. Bonne droiture d'ensemble, densité. Style élégant et potentiel de garde certain.*