



September 2013

Château Malartic-Lagravière Red 2000

*Classified Growth of Graves in Red and in White
Appellation Pessac-Léognan (A.O.C.)*

Vintage

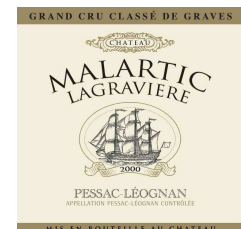
The wet spring resulted in a high risk of mildew in the early growing season but flowering took place in good conditions following the return of dry weather from 14 May. The lack of rain in August and September caused growth to stop early, favouring a quick and uniform start to the ripening stage. The fine late summer weather allowed berries to ripen in excellent conditions, producing very well-balanced grapes. Despite a slightly higher than normal yield, the grapes were particularly rich in sugar, anthocyanins and tanins. Grape quality was uniform over the entire property due to a very good general state of health, even though each type of soil produces different characteristics: the dry gravel results in phenolic qualities that promote a good balance between sugar and acidity, while the clayey gravel produces grapes high in sugar.

Harvest period

Merlots 12, 25, 26 et 27 septembre 2000.
Cabernets From 2 to 10 octobre 2000.

Blend

Merlot 50%
Cabernet Sauvignon 40%
Cabernet Franc 10%



Technical Data

Total area (A.O.C.) 53 hectares
Area in red (A.O.C.) 46 hectares
Geology 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 24 hl/ha
Vinification Thermoregulated stainless steel or oak vats
Fermentation 3 to 5 weeks - 28 to 30° C
Ageing Traditional oak barrels: 80% new oak
Ageing period 17 months
Oenologist Consultants Michel Rolland & Athanase Fakorellis

Tasting

Dark, deep ruby red with hints of coppery brown. The nose is intense and complex with mellow aromas of blackcurrants and plums followed by tobacco, and undergrowth. Fine minerality. The palate is vigorous with good volume and length. A dense, full-bodied wine, which nonetheless gives an overall impression of elegance, with a range of dark fruit, very ripe cherries and truffles. Excellent balance due to a pleasant freshness and a silky texture with a fine finish.





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Press Release

Alain Marty - Le guide des vins du Wine & Business Club 2013 - Septbre 2012
16.5

Jean-Marc Quarin - Guide Quarin des Vins de Bordeaux - Septembre 2011

C'est un grand succès du cru. Depuis 2005, sa note a grimpé et se situe régulièrement entre 16.75 et 17. Dégusté non décanté : belle couleur rouge sombre, nez intense, profond, complexe et un peu boisé. Vin superbe en milieu de bouche, juteux, savoureux, ample, qui prend une saveur de violette et évoque la Bourgogne. Grande finale puissante et incrachable. Tanin raffiné (note 16.75).

Michael Pronay - Vinaria -Décembre 2010 - Bordeaux Ten Years after

16.5 : *Nussig, rauchig, Cassis. Sauerkirschen, auch etwas Brett ; geschmeidiges Entrée, wird dann aber doch ein bisschen gerbstoffig, aber gute Substanz und Herzhafte Frucht, stoffig, braucht noch Zeit.*

Guide Robert Parker - Edition 2008 - Septembre 2007

Modèle d'élégance, de symétrie et de puissance équilibrée, vêtu de rubis pourpre dense, le Malartic-Lagravière 2000 déploie de doux arômes de prune, de groseille, de cassis, de tabac et de fumé. Pétri de concentration, d'extrait, de glycérine et de persistance, l'ensemble se montre en outre expansif, séveux et moyennement corsé, et se déploie par vagues. A maturité jusqu'en 2020. (Noté 90/100)

James Suckling - Wine Spectator - April 2007

92 : Top Scoring Bordeaux Value - *Refined and well-crafted, with delicate spice, fresh meat and berry character . Full-bodied, with well- integrated tannins.*

Guide Bettane & Desseauve 2008

18 : *Un vin monumental et une réussite majeure du millésime, associant fraîcheur et puissance avec une autorité évidente.*

Le Guide d'Achat des Crus 2007 de la Revue du Vin de France

18: *Fruité et puissant avec des tanins élégants.*

James Suckling - Wine Spectator – March 2003

92 : *Extremely refined and well-crafted, with delicate spice, fresh meat and berry character. Full-bodied, with super-well-integrated tannins. Really well-done. Best I have had from this estate. Best after 2010.*

Decanter July 2001

****** Highly recommended**

Big, intense colour, rich, concentrated nose, tobacco leaf and high in cabernet black currant fruit, and quite firm acidity. Quite lean style at this time, but lots of ripe fruit behind it, a wine for the long term. Ready 2006-2020.