

2010 Lynch Bages 5eme Cru Classe Pauillac

Single bottle price - \$277.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$3288.00 / \$274.00

"Very good concentration of Cabernet fruits, rich and earthy, vibrant, vigorous flavours and packed with energy, a wine that once again justifies this château's reputation." **18 points Decanter**

"This is densely packed, with loads of crushed fig, plum and blackberry. Shows ample tobacco, roasted apple wood and bittersweet cocoa notes as well, but stays defined, with a long, authoritative finish that delivers waves of grip, backed by even more grip." **95-98 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"Over the last three vintages, Lynch Bages has returned with a vengeance after somewhat listless performances following their brilliant duo of 1989 and 1990. Much of the credit for this must go to Jean-Charles Cazes who has taken over for his father, Jean-Michel, one of the greatest ambassadors Bordeaux has ever had. The 2010 blew me away on each occasion I tasted it during my two week sojourn in Bordeaux. Tannic and concentrated, this huge Pauillac boasts an inky/purple color as well as impressive notes of creme de cassis, smoke, graphite and spring flowers. This dense, seriously endowed, monstrous Lynch Bages is reminiscent of some of the wines made at this estate in the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s and 1980s. It will require 4-5 years of cellaring and should be drinkable for 3-4 decades." **95-97 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Gruaud Larose 2eme Cru Classe Saint Julien

Single bottle price - \$128.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$1500.00 / \$125.00

"Big, typically smoky-spicy Gruaud nose, lots of fleshy fruit, lifted and almost exotic flavours harmonious depth and length, back on top form for the medium-long term. Drink 2018-30." **18 points Decanter**

"Offers a serious core of kirsch, blackberry and plum sauce notes, with lovely, velvety tannins taking over the pure, violet-tinged finish, which has length and grace. Shows more elegance than most of its peers in this vintage." **93-96 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"This gets my nod as the finest Gruaud Larose since the 2000 and 1990. The opaque purple-colored 2010 exhibits copious notes of Asian plum sauce, spice box, creme de cassis, loamy soil and a beefy/meaty character. It is full-bodied, dense and powerful, with stunning purity and no evidence of brett (a characteristic of the great Gruaud Larose wines made in the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s). Given the 2010's tannin profile, it will require 5-8 years of cellaring and should keep for three decades thereafter." **92-94 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Giscours 3eme Cru Classe Margaux

Single bottle price - \$125.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$1464.00 / \$122.00

17.5 points Decanter

"Polished, with lots of alluring mocha and licorice notes leading the way, followed by creamy blueberry, blackberry and black cherry fruit. The finish is long and creamy." **91-94 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"It is a little unsettling to realize that 2009 and 2010 may be the greatest back to back Bordeaux vintages produced in the history of the region. The over-achieving Giscours has turned in a great performance in 2010, which possesses an opaque purple color as well as notes of licorice, black truffles, sweet blackberry and cassis fruit, flowers and soil undertones. It is very full-bodied and exceptionally opulent, fat and round, but the vintage's acids, precision, high glycerin, alcohol and extract are all present. Give it 2-3 years of cellaring and drink it over the following 25-30 years."

92-95 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate

2010 Kirwan 3eme Cru Classe Margaux

Single bottle price - \$115.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$1344.00 / \$112.00

18 points Decanter

"Ripe and very juicy, but with lovely seamless texture to the plum, cassis and violet notes. The long, racy finish is really persistent." **90-93 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"Readers looking for a masculine, powerful, concentrated, broodingly backward style of Margaux need look no further than the 2010 Kirwan. A dense opaque purple color is accompanied by notes of graphite, licorice, blackberry and cassis. Intense and concentrated with good acidity as well as a boatload of tannin, it should be forgotten for 7-10 years and drunk over the following three decades." **90-93 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Talbot 4eme Cru Classe Saint Julien

Single bottle price - \$113.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$1320.00 / \$110.00

17 points Decanter

"Rich, very ripe cassis Cabernet fruit, smooth, even succulent flavours, quite an open style in this vintage." **17 points Decanter**

"Plump and rather open, with delicious plum, raspberry and black cherry fruit melded with spice and anise. This has a nice chocolaty finish, with a velvety feel." **90-93 points James**

Molesworth, Wine Spectator

"Abundant amounts of sweet, up-front fruit give this wine a precocious appeal compared to many of its brethren. It exhibits a dense plum/ruby/purple hue along with sweet boysenberry, black currant, cherry, smoke and licorice aromas and flavors. This deep, medium to full-bodied, classic Talbot should be approachable when released, and age effortlessly for 15 or more years." **91-93 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Reserve de la Comtesse (2nd wine of Pichon Longueville Lalande) Pauillac

Single bottle price - \$88.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$1020.00 / \$85.00

16.5 points Decanter

"This mouthfilling red displays a core of plum, black cherry and red currant fruit, with well-integrated toast. There's a light tarry edge on the finish. Tasted non-blind." **89-92 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"A blend of 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 46% Merlot, and the rest Petit Verdot, this wine, which hit 13.5% alcohol (the 2009 was 13%) displays loads of chocolatey, herbal, black currant fruit and mocha-infused notes in a dark plum/purple-tinged, fleshy style. Drink it over the next decade." **89-91 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Lafon Rochet 4eme Cru Classe Saint Estephe

Single bottle price - \$87.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$1008.00 / \$84.00

"Superbly ripe Cabernet fruit and lush yet firm flavours and perfect tannins make this an explosively good wine for the medium and long term." **17.5 points Decanter**

"This has a nice winery core of dark plum and macerated black cherry fruit, followed by racy acidity and flashes of violet and graphite. Sneakily long." **90-93 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"Proprietor Basile Tesseron may have produced his finest Lafon Rochet to date. The 2010's inky/blue/purple color is followed by a distinctive bouquet of spring flowers, blueberry pie, blackberry liqueur and crushed rocks. Although a classified growth, this wine is an undeniable sleeper of the



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vintage as its price remains reasonable. The wine possesses terrific structure, ripe tannins and a voluminous, broad, deep impression on the palate. The fruit intensity, purity and richness suggest 4-5 years of cellaring will be required and the wine will last for 20+ years." **92-94 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Haut Bages Liberal 5eme Cru Classe Pauillac

Single bottle price - \$81.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$936.00 / \$78.00

17 points Decanter

"Shows friendly mocha and roasted tobacco up front, followed by a mouthfilling core of blackberry, plum and cassis. The dense but velvety finish has nice latent grip." **91-94 points James**

Molesworth, Wine Spectator

"The finest Haut-Bages-Liberal I have tasted in many years, this sleeper of the vintage exhibits a blue/purple hue as well as projected aromatics of blue and black fruits, spring flowers and subtle background oak. Full-bodied with moderately high tannins, a layered mouthfeel and a long finish, it should be at its best between 2017 and 2035." **91-93+ points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Haut Batailley 5eme Cru Classe Pauillac

Single bottle price - \$81.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$816.00 / \$78.00

17 points Decanter

"This is ripe, with a lovely beam of cassis and blackberry well-harnessed by seamless acidity. The rounded, enticing finish has a dash of toasty vanilla that's well-embedded." **90-93 points James**

Molesworth, Wine Spectator

"This is always the most St.-Julien-like of the Pauillacs (although occasionally Pichon-Lalande possesses a suave, St.-Julian character and less power than many Pauillacs). The dark ruby/purple-hued 2010 reveals sweet aromas of red and black currants, cedar and spicy background oak. It is an attractive, elegant, mid-weight wine with polished tannins as well as a restrained style. Drink it over the next 10-15 years." **88-90 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Beauregard Pomerol

Single bottle price - \$77.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$888.00 / \$74.00

"Just the ticket. Perfumed, floral, fresh with lovely length and line. Possibly the best ever from this estate." **17 points Decanter**

"An opaque purple-colored, dense, tannic, powerful Pomerol, the 2010 Beauregard exhibits a muscular framework, abundant tannin and impressive concentration as well as sweet fruit. Atypically backward for a Pomerol, it requires 3-5 years of cellaring and should drink well for two decades." **89-91 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Du Tertre 5eme Cru Classe Margaux

Single bottle price - \$71.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$816.00 / \$68.00

17 points Decanter

"This is textbook Margaux, with a supple, velvety feel and a stylish core of plum, red currant and black cherry fruit laced with perfumy spice and followed by lightly dusty tannins." **90-93 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

2010 Cantemerle 5eme Cru Classe Haut Medoc

Single bottle price - \$63.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$720.00 / \$60.00

"Finely expressed, deep but lifted and potentially complex fruit, refreshing acidity and firmness to add length to its habitual charm." **17 points Decanter**

"A quintessentially elegant style of Bordeaux, the opaque ruby/purple-tinged 2010 Cantemerle possesses elegant floral notes intermixed with hints of blueberries, raspberries, sweet red cherries and currants. Medium-bodied with impressive purity, concentration and texture, it is not a heavyweight, but rather a well-proportioned, stylish red that should drink nicely for 15-20 years."

91-93 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate

2010 Larrivet Haut Brion Pessac Leognan

Single bottle price - \$59.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$672.00 / \$56.00

"Lots of leafy cassis fruit, ripe and quite fleshy with depth, persistence, exuberance and elegance."

16 points Decanter

"Very spicy and intense with dark berries and sweet tobacco. Full and velvety. Very long and intense." **93-94 points James Suckling**

2010 Chasse Spleen Moulis en Medoc

Single bottle price - \$55.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$624.00 / \$52.00

"Beautifully extracted cassis fruit, already showing complexity, tightly-knit and will age well." **17 points Decanter**

"Lightly firm plum skin and cherry pit notes weave through the core of plum sauce, currant and blackberry fruit, with a perfumy tobacco-tinged finish. A touch old-school." **89-92 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"A strong effort, the tannic, medium to full-bodied 2010 possesses good minerality, zesty acidity, admirable freshness and both blue and black fruits. With impressive depth and length, this pure Moulis should drink well for 15+ years." **88-90 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Siran Margaux

Single bottle price - \$53.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$600.00 / \$50.00

16.5 points Decanter

"Showing nice minerality already, with a stony hint weaving through the supple plum and cassis fruit, followed by a perfumy finish. Should be very suave when finished." **90-93 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

2010 Petit Bocq Cru Bourgeois Saint-Estephe

Single bottle price - \$35.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$420.00 / \$32.00

"Explosive fruit on the nose and fine, fleshy palate with natural tannins and grip for a good future. Drink 2015-24." **16 points Decanter**

"The Le Petit Bocq has impressive freshness and vitality on the nose with fresh brambly blackberry fruit. The palate is fresh and well defined with tensile tannins, ebullient red-berried fruit marked with superb acidity and vigour. Perhaps not a long-term Saint Estephe but very feminine and beautifully crafted. Tasted April 2011." **91-93 points Neal Martin, Wine Advocate**

2010 Belle Vue Cru Bourgeois Haut-Medoc

Single bottle price - \$34.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$372.00 / \$31.00

"Rich black berry fruits, elegantly extracted and good length, an elegant, polished wine. Drink 2014-20." **16.5 points Decanter**

"Rounded and enticing, with a mix of crushed blueberry, plum and raspberry fruit backed by spice and toasty vanilla hints. Not shy about the toast, but there's plenty of fruit as well." **88-91 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

2010 la Tour de Bessan Cru Bourgeois Margaux

Single bottle price - \$34.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$372.00 / \$31.00

"Finely extracted fruit and lovely fragrance, a fine, elegant Margaux with structure to last. Drink 2014-20." **16 points Decanter**

88-89 points James Suckling, Wine Spectator

2010 Lanessan Cru Bourgeois Haut-Medoc

Single bottle price - \$32.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$348.00 / \$29.00

"Quite firm, smoky cassis fruit, fine middle depth and elegant structure. Drink 2014-20." **16 points Decanter**

"Soft and silky with lovely fruit and a long and caressing texture. Excellent core of fruit. Solid for the vintage. An excellent Lanessan." **91-92 points James Suckling, Wine Spectator**

2010 Senejac Cru Bourgeois Haut-Medoc

Single bottle price - \$31.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$372.00 / \$28.00

"Deep, compact yet complex flavours, a very elegant southern Haut-Médoc with a good future. Drink 2014-22." **16.5 points Decanter**

"Still compact, with a very briary, juicy core of plum, dark currant and braised fig, followed by a roasted tobacco edge on the finish. Offers lively acidity. Should unwind nicely." **89-92 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"Pontet-Canet's brilliant proprietor, Alfred Tesseron, has begun to look after the wines of Senejac and the result is a tasty, elegant 2010 offering copious berry fruit notes intermixed with hints of cedarwood and spice. This cuvee should be drinkable upon release and evolve for a decade." **87-90 points Robert Parker, Wine Advocate**

2010 Villars Fronsac

Single bottle price - \$29.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$372.00 / \$26.00

"Attractive fruit. Persistent. Firmer structure than '09. Drink 2015-2022." **15.5 points Decanter**

2010 Climens 1er Cru Classe Barsac**Single bottle price - \$201.00****Full Case/ per bottle - \$2376.00 / \$198.00**

"The blend is not yet made, hence no star rating. But tasting one by one the 19 elements of the future blend indicates the possibility for Bérénice Lurton, the happy owner of Climens, to build a masterpiece, enhanced with supernatural elegance and perhaps even more finesse and emotional power than Yquem!" **Decanter**

"Berenice Lurton and her team managed to pick the crop just hours before rains fell on October 23. Tasting through every one of their lots in 2010, there was a theme of tautness, racy acidity and spice. Focusing upon two batches representing about 14% of the harvest, there was patently exquisite balance and a sense of concentrated but efficient power, counterbalanced by immense purity and effervescence. Their problem will be knowing exactly which lots to deselect!" **94-96 points Neal Martin, Wine Advocate**

2010 Suduiraut 1er Cru Classe Sauternes**Single bottle price - \$138.00****Full Case/ per bottle - \$1620.00 / \$135.00**

"Super nose with some exotic pineapple/mango/passion fruit undertones mixed with Vouvray-like blossom-tree and quince jelly, enormous body, but incredible purity and crystal-like transparency, great length, a masterpiece!" **19 points Decanter**

"Really big and rich, with lots of raw date, glazed pear, creamed peach and fig aromas and flavors. Very lush and long, but also clean and round despite its heft." **93-96 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"The Chateau Suduiraut has a comparatively rich, botrytized bouquet with dried honey, pineapple and a touch of Seville orange marmalade, with exquisite definition and focus. The palate is well-balanced, with a viscous texture and a good level of botrytis, demonstrating fine minerality and tautness. Dried mango, quince and spice all interlace the focused finish, which is long in the mouth. Tasted against its peers, this has a higher level of intensity and focus. A superb follow-up to the sensational 2009." **94-96 points Neal Martin, Wine Advocate**

2010 Rieussec 1er Cru Classe Sauternes**Single bottle price - \$136.00****Full Case/ per bottle - \$1596.00 / \$133.00**

"Some oaky, smoky elements dominating the fruity, juicy ones, but so impressive in the mouth. Great volume, great concentration, bags of refined and complex flavours, great length, and more Sauternes-like this time than Riesling. Drink 2020-2050." **18.5 points Decanter**

"Extremely rich and bright, with lots of green fig, honey and apricot. Very lush and round, with some serious weight and power in reserve. Remarkably fresh now." **93-96 points James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

"Sporting 140gms/L residual sugar, the 2010 Rieussec displays impressive clarity on the nose, with fresh pineapple, grapefruit and a touch of lime flower, and tangible minerality. The palate has that "Tropicana" vibe with guava, almond and pineapple that slightly obfuscates the terroir towards the finish. This is a highly enjoyable, comparatively rich 2010 Sauternes, but without the intellect of some of the finest examples of the vintage." **90-92 points Neal Martin, Wine Advocate**

2010 Coutet 1er Cru Classe Barsac**Single bottle price - \$130.00****Full Case/ per bottle - \$1524.00 / \$127.00**

"Perfect balance, lots of class, super-refined texture, great length, great wine: purity and power! Drink 2020-2040." **19 points Decanter**

"Really ripe and fleshy, offering delicious glazed peach, apricot and honey notes, with lots of orange blossom and fig and a very rich finish. Starting to take shape now too. Impressive." **93-96 points**

James Molesworth, Wine Spectator

"The 2010 Chateau Coutet has 154-gms/litre residual sugar, one of the highest in Sauternes/Barsac. It is endowed with a delightful bouquet of freshly sliced mango, Tropicana and a touch of honey, with good definition and minerality. The palate is medium-bodied with very impressive balance and poise, and is slightly viscous in the mouth, with almond, lemon curd and a touch of orange peel. The finish is composed and long. The 2010 Coutet is very impressive for the vintage, although I suggest not quite reaching the stellar heights of the magnificent 2009." **93-95 points**

Neal Martin, Wine Advocate

2010 Guiraud 1er Cru Classe Sauternes

Single bottle price - \$88.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$1020.00 / \$85.00

"More lactic notes than most, more intensity of yeasty undertones, very intense, great proportions, great style, great future, showing the energy of a perfectly cultivated vineyard." 18.5 points Decanter

"This is developing some real power, with glazed peach and pear fruit pushed by graham and honey notes. There's lots of viscosity on the finish, but with good underlying acidity." **92-95 points James**

Molesworth, Wine Spectator

"The 2010 Chateau Guiraud has fine purity and minerality on the nose, with touches of passion fruit and dried apricot, later quince joining the fray. The palate is very well-balanced with a lively entry of apricot, quince and a touch of hazelnut. The middle and finish demonstrate fine tension and a lot of freshness. Individual lots seemed to have more race than the final sample, and I suspect it will warrant a higher score once the final blend is in bottle." **91-93 points Neal Martin, Wine**

Advocate

2010 Doisy Daene 2eme Cru Classe Barsac

Single bottle price - \$78.00

Full Case/ per bottle - \$900.00 / \$75.00

"Super, pineapple-like nose, wonderful texture, perfect balance, very long, so pure and true to great Barsac type, with the salty element that's so nice for appetitive consumption. Drink 2016-2040."

18.5 points Decanter

"This has power in reserve, but relies more on its acidity, with juicy tangerine, clementine, pear and mango notes laced with a hint of green almond. The finish is long, pure and fresh." **92-95 points**

James Molesworth, Wine Spectator

"Denis Dubourdieu's Barsac cru has an attractive bouquet with subtle notes of cooking apple, pear and lime-flower, all with very fine delineation. The palate displays good weight and a fine thread of acidity, lending tension and poise that leads to a taut finish, showing good botrytis levels for the vintage. With its trademark minerality in place, this Doisy-Daene comes highly recommended."

92-94 points Neal Martin, Wine Advocate