

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855

SAINT-JULIEN

2006

## **TERROIR**

Completely situated in the village of Saint-Julien, the vineyard of Chateau Lagrange represents 118 hectares in red vines, spread over two hills with the slopes directed towards the North and the South, in one block. The subsoil is of clay and limestone and the topsoil is of pebbles and gravel. The climate is temperate and oceanic.



Blend 59% Cabernet Sauvignon 41% Merlot

Planting Density 8 700 to 10 000 vines / hectare

Harvest From the 18th of September to the 5th of October 2006

Grapes are hand-picked into individual crates.

Vinification Plot by plot vinification

Thermoregulated stainless steel vats of variable capacity Vinification at 26-28 °C during 15 to 22 days

Moderate pumping-over every day, or delestage or pigeage

Malo lactic fermentation through co inoculation

Average age of the vine 40 years

% of first Label 41%

Barrel Ageing | Blending in January

Maturation for 20 months. 60 % of new oak barrels

Fining in barrel with fresh egg-whites

Final blending before bottling

Tasting Window 2014 - 2040

## TASTING NOTE

The colour is rich and deep with purple red nuances. The nose is dominated by fresh red fruits with no over ripeness and by toasty notes. The fresh fruit, with a zest of citrus, coats the wood and liquorice aromas. In the palate, the entry is well-structured and ample; the development remains virile, very generous and remarkably powerful; the very long finish offers sweetness without tanic harshness. It's a typical vintage of the Médoc marrying concentrated elegance and unctuosity whilst preserving the freshness brought by the great cabs.