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2005 CHÂTEAU LARRIVET HAUT BRION

RED • PESSAC-LÉOGNAN

THE VINTAGE

WEATHER CONDITIONS:

HARVEST DATES:

AGEING: Air-conditioned cellar, traditional racking. Ages 14 to 18 month in 40% new oak barrels

ALCOHOL:

BLENDING: 57% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Cabernet Franc

THE VINEYARD

SURFACE OF PRODUCTION: 61 ha

SOIL: Deep gravely and sandy overlying a clay substratum

AVERAGE AGE OF THE VINES: 35 Years

HARVEST: Manual at optimum maturity, transport of grapes in baskets, hand sorting before destemming and Pellenc optical sorting before crushing

SORTING:

VINIFICATION: The winery is equipped with stainless steel vat with temperature controlled which permit vinification plot by plot. -traditional vinification at high temperature (28-32°C) -with 3-4 pumping over per day -long maceration (25-30 days)

TASTING NOTES:

Deep ruby-red colour. Complex, concentrated, smoky bouquet with notes of black fruit, cedar, and tobacco. Very soft on the palate with an abundance of velvety tannins. Outstanding, long aftertaste. FOOD PAIRINGS:

Braised meat in a sauce - Slow-roasted leg of lamb -Bordeaux-style lamprey