

LES HAUTS DE LARRIVET HAUT-BRION Red 2011

Appellation d'Origine Contrôlée Pessac-Léognan Grand Vin de Bordeaux

Second wine of Château Larrivet Haut-Brion (35 % of the production in red wine)

Sold exclusively in supermarkets

VINEYARD

Location: Soil: Area of vines: Blend: Plantation density: Average age of vines:

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Léognan Deep gravel with a clay texture 61 ha in red 70% merlot, 30% cabernet sauvignon 7 700 plants per hectare 30 years

Double guyov pruning Ploughing or planting

CULTIVATION AND VINIFICATION

<u>vineyara training:</u>	grass, thinning-cut of leaves, green harvest
<u>Harvest:</u>	Mechanical harvester with a selection system and optical sorting before crushing
<u>Vinification:</u>	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)
<u>Ageing:</u>	Air-conditioned cellar, traditional racking. 1/3 ageing in small wooden vats of 27 hl, 1/3 in oak barrels and 1/3 in stainless steel vats during 14 months
Filtration:	Albunmine fining, with a light machine filtration before bottling
<u>Bottling:</u>	At the Château
Annual production:	Around 80 000 bottles per year
Distribution:	Second wine for the supermarket

TASTING

A dense, dark, ruby-red colour. Floral aromas at first on the nose (peony, fading rose petals) and fruity. On swirling the glass, sweet spice and toffee notes are released.

The attack on the palate is round and well balanced by silky tannins, without any harshness or bitterness. The finish is elegant with jammy compote red berry fruit and sweet spice notes. An attractive, fruity, floral and silky wine to be enjoyed as from two years' time and for five years after that.