



Château LA POINTE 2018 POMEROL

- CONSULTANT WINEMAKER: Hubert DE BOÛARD -

OVERVIEW

Château La Pointe has always produced quality wines, yet held a reputation among wine professionals that it still had considerable improvement potential. So when Eric Monneret became director of the property in 2008, everything was done in order to give new vitality to Château La Pointe. Several important projects were carried out in order to express all the vineyard richness: soil studies and drainage works offering substantial increase of the grapes quality, rigorous plot by plot selection in order to optimize soil diversity and reveal the fineness of the Right Bank grape varieties. The renovation of the vat-room has also made possible a wine-making process capable of enhancing the characteristics of each plot. Mr. Monneret also engaged the services of a new consulting winemaker, Hubert De Boüard, co-owner of Château Angelus. The whole strategy of energizing was soon rewarded, positioning Château La Pointe as one of the most important properties in Pomerol.

VINEYARD

Soil: Gravelly with smooth, rounded pebbles from the Isle River terraces, clay-gravel soil, sandy soil on clay and sandy soil on gravel.

Surface: 23 hectares

Average age of the vineyard: 35 years

Grape varieties: 85% Merlot / 15% Cabernet Franc

MAKING PROCESS

Hand harvesting. Classical vinification in vats with temperature monitoring. Malolactic fermentation, half in barrels. Ageing for 12 months 100% in barrels with 50% new oak.

TASTING NOTE

Beautiful dark colour. Intense scents of red fruits mixed with elegant woody hints. Dense start, nice mid-palate and gorgeous finish.

MATCHING FOOD

This wine for laying down will be perfect served at 17-18°C and decanted few hours with mixed raw and cooked vegetable salad, Parmesan and truffle shavings, fried red mullet fillets and red wine sauce, roasted squab, braised beef tenderloin, or with a good selection of cheeses. It can also be enjoyed young, on the crunching fruit.

AGEING POTENTIAL

More than 15 years

AWARDS

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