



Château LATOUR-MARTILLAC Grand Cru Classé de Graves White 2011

Pessac-Léognan Appellation

THE VINEYARD

Surface of production for white:	10 ha (total surface: 50 ha)
Nature of the soil:	Clay-limestone soil on the eastern slopes of the property, offering good natural drainage
	with optimum exposure for our white grape varieties.
Grape varieties:	60% Sauvignon Blanc; 40% Sémillon
Pruning:	Double Guyot system for the Sauvignon Blanc and Cordon pruning for the Sémillon
Density of planting:	7,200 feet/ha
Average age of the vineyard:	35 years
Vineyard management:	Traditional Methods. Sustainable Vine Protection.
	Green Harvesting by hand: desuckering, excess bud removal, leaf thinning, removal of excess shoots.

PRESENTATION OF THE VINTAGE

After a late and mild winter, drought set in until June, with summerlike temperatures from April. The result was an early flowering, from May 10th. By July 1st, the vegetation was three weeks ahead of its usual development. The vintage was then rescued by plenty of rain and cooler temperatures during July and August, with a late and slow ripening, which preserved flavor and freshness. The harvest then took place under a bright September sun.

<u>Harvest:</u> Plot by plot handpicking, in small crates From the 18th of August to the 5th of September

Vinification: Alcoholic fermentation in barrel Ageing: 15 months on lees, whose 10 months in French oak barrels New barrels: 25% Alcohol: 13%



TASTING

Blending: Bottling: Distribution: 65% Sauvignon Blanc - 35% Sémillon At the Château, in February 2013 – 3,300 cases Place de Bordeaux

« A pale yellow color offering a limpid brilliance. Fresh fruits on the nose, notes of white flowers and citrus. A fine liveliness on the palate with a discreet hint of wood. Fruits and minerality mingle, before a beautiful and straightforward finish. Great cellaring potential! »

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