



LOUDENNE

LE CHÂTEAU

2015

MEDOC CRU BOURGEOIS

« ALL THE BEST MEDOC VINEYARDS

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As all the best Grands Crus from the Medoc area, Loudenne vineyard is benefiting from an exceptional terroir: 2 gravelly hills that slope gently down to the banks of the Gironde estuary, reflecting the sun rays, reducing the risk of frost and helping the grapes to ripen.

This privileged terroir contributes to the unique complexity and finesse of Château Loudenne wines.

Terroir and vineyard:

Terroir: 2 hills made of Garonne gravel mixed with clay on a limestone sub-soil.

Vineyard: 31 ha (76 acres) – average 42 y.o. Density: 6 700 plants / hectare (the oldest having a lower density 5 000 plants / ha). 52 % Merlot - 48 % Cabernet Sauvignon.

2015 weather conditions:

The flowering took place in perfect climatic conditions, with warm, dry and sunny weather. Subsequently, August and September were beautiful and sunny with cool nights regularly interspersed with rains allowing the merlots but also the cabernets to mature perfectly. After a period of rain in mid-September, the weather remained beautiful during all the harvest which allowed us to harvest each plot at its optimum maturity with grapes in a perfect sanitary state.

Harvest:

Plot selection.
Hand picking in small crates.
Sorting table on reception.
Transfer by gravity in the vats.
Oenologist advisor: Athanase Fakorellis

Vinification:

Thermo-regulated stainless steel and concrete vats.
Small vertical Bucher press.
Strict selection of press wines.
Malolactic fermentation in barrels.




BOB CAMPBELL
master of wine **95/100** (12/2019)

VertdeVin **89-90/100** (jan 2018)
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Jancis Robinson
JancisRobinson.com **16/20**
(Richard Heming MW oct. 2017)

tastingbook www.tastingbook.com
Pekka Nuikki **92p** (07/2020)

Hiroshi Ishida **91p** (07/2020)
Best Sommelier of Asia-Oceania 2015

Ageing:

100% in French oak barrels originated from Bordeaux coopers. 33% new oak.
Medium toast.
12 to 16 months in barrels.

Volume and blend:

110 000 bottles
50 % Cabernet Sauvignon
50 % Merlot
Alcohol content: 13 % vol.
pH : 3.65

Tasting comments

*Beautiful deep ruby red color.
The nose reveals notes of red fruits, red peppers and blackberries with a hint of blackcurrant as well as a fine touch of violet, chocolate and wood.*

The mouth is fruity, well-balanced, with freshness and body. The tannins are fine and the wine is of good length.

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