

2009 Château Lafleur, Pomerol

Château Lafleur, Bordeaux Wine Region, France

Product details

Vintage:	2009	Drinking:	2018 2040
Producer:	Château Lafleur	Alcohol:	14.50%
Region:	Bordeaux Wine Region	Variety:	Bordeaux blend
Country:	France		

Tasting notes

On the nose, the wine is unusually open and giving, engaging the taster immediately. However, rather than rushing out of the glass, this is a more measured introduction, luring you in. Notes of small black cherries, violets, graphite, spice and a little pepper introduce themselves one by one, all in perfect detail. On the palate, there is a gear change, a subtle flexing of the muscles that reminds you that this is a serious, long lived wine. Power and grace combine effortlessly in a flowing, captivating ensemble. The minerality and freshness of the finish as well as the fine tannins show top grade winemaking but always in a natural, pure way, nothing forced or out of place. This wine is a true thoroughbred, clearly a masterpiece from the Guinaudeaus. armit, 20 points. Drink 2019-2030+

Reviews

The nose is fascinating, with blackberry, black licorice, mineral, flowers and more. Full-bodied, with an incredible texture of ripe tannins and cashmere yarn. A tightly wound ball. What length too. This wine made me feel like getting in the lotus position and meditating. It's almost more than wine. Vinous Nirvana. I think the Cabernet Franc really gave that extra level to it all. James Suckling, Wine Spectator 97-100 Points James Suckling

About the producer

Nestled next door to Pomerol's Petrus, Château Lafleur measures a mere 4.5ha, planted almost exactly with half Bouchet (Cabernet Franc) and half Merlot. Since the Guinaudeau family took control of production, an already highly regarded cru has reached greater heights, with more obsessive precision of selection and timing of picking, as well as more nuanced use of barrels. Combining their mineral expression of Merlot, with the perfume and complexity of Bouchet (Cabernet Franc) the Guineau family has managed to create some of the most elegant, long-lived and collectible wines in Bordeaux.

