## **CHÂTEAU GUIRAUD 1996**

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## 1996, 20 ANS!

Superbe couleur vieil or aux reflets vert, Nez complexe ,

Notes intenses de mandarine confite et d'abricot sec.

Epices douces, gingembre et absinthe Arômes de fumé évoquant l'âtre froid, le lard fumé et la vanille

Bouche ample, fraîche, nette, assez large et tactile. Superbe retour du fruit en finale.

## 1996, 20 YEARS!

Superb old gold color with green reflections. Complex nose.

Candied tangerine intense notes and dried apricot,

Sweet spices, ginger and smoked absinthe aromas evoking the cold hearth, smoked bacon and vanilla,

Wide mouth, fresh, clean, quite large and tactile. Superb return of final fruit.



"This is a beautifully mature Sauternes... On the palate,...there is freshness too in the finish.... the wine will pair well with a wide variety of Chinese cuisines. Due to its delicacy, it will pair well with numerous Cantonese dishes, as diverse as dim sum or roasted goose or pork. From Anhui, the imperial goose dish or mountain vegetable dishes will also work well with this wine." JCL, 2011 November



"...For sure, the 1996 has a...composed bouquet...with marmelade, Clementine and touches of brown sugar... The palate has a waxy texture, touches of spice and marmelade that segue into a tense, bitter lemon and bitter orange finish....It remains a pleasurable Sauternes..." NM, 2013 June

