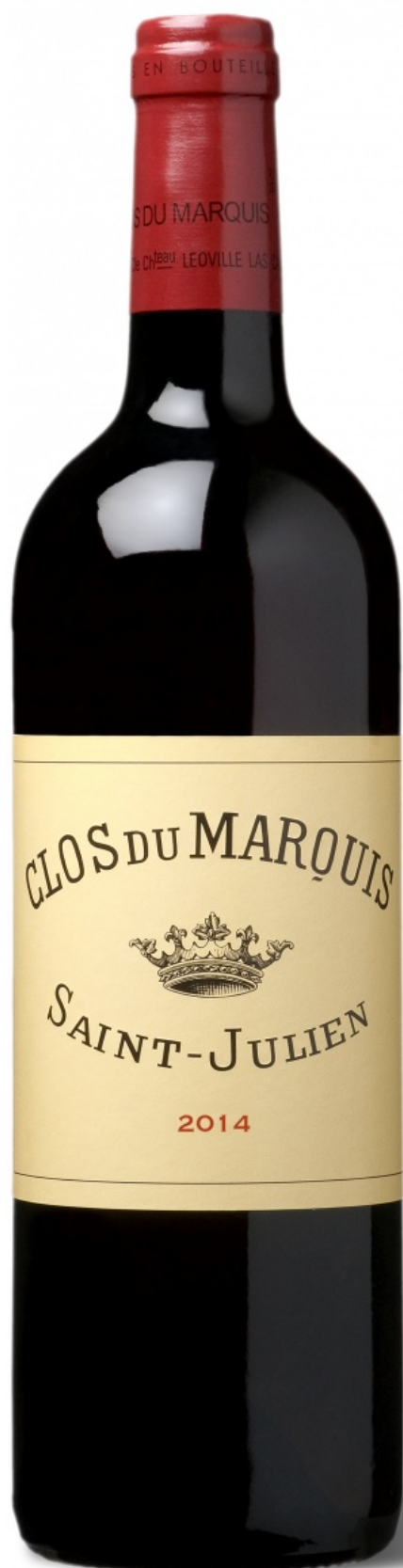




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ASSEMBLAGE / BLEND

Cabernet Sauvignon 74%
Merlot 22%
Cabernet Franc 4%

DATE DE VENDANGE / HARVEST PERIOD

Du 30 septembre au 13 octobre 2014
From 30th September to 13th October 2014

ANALYSES / LAB ANALYZES

Degré : 13,85 %vol. - Acidité Totale : 3,97 gH₂SO₄/l - pH : 3,63 - IPT : 68
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LE MILLÉSIME / VINTAGE 2014

Après un débourrement relativement précoce suite à une sortie d'hiver douce et humide, le rafraîchissement survenu au mois de mai a retardé la floraison et replacé le millésime 2014 sur une précocité dans la moyenne des dix dernières années. Juin et début juillet ont été ponctués d'épisodes orageux, mais la deuxième quinzaine de juillet, plus chaude et ensoleillée sur la période allant de la fermeture de grappe à la véraison, a permis de constituer un bon potentiel en composés phénoliques. Le beau temps s'est ensuite durablement installé à partir du 15 août, avec des températures encore douces qui ont permis de maintenir de bonnes acidités, puis le mois de septembre a été parmi les plus chauds et ensoleillés de la décennie, favorisant ainsi l'installation de contraintes hydriques propices à un bon affinage des tanins des pellicules et des pépins. La

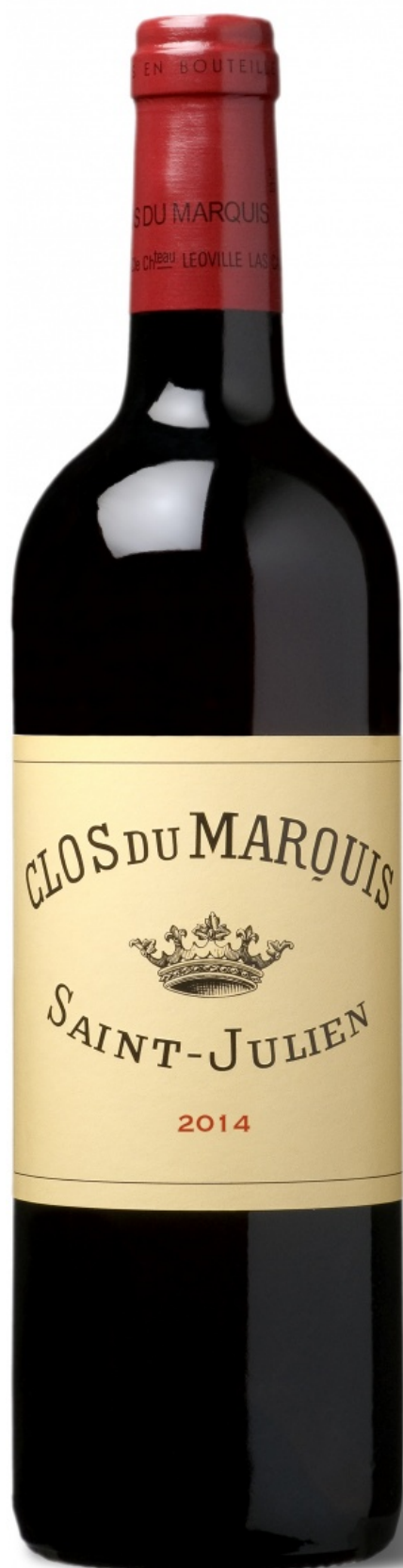
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maîtrise des rendements, de la vigueur, et les effeuillages précoces, ont contribué à maintenir un parfait état sanitaire du vignoble et des raisins jusqu'aux vendanges qui ont ainsi pu se faire à la maturité optimale de chaque cépage.

After a relatively early budburst that followed the wet and mild winter, the coolness of May delayed the flowering and brought the dates of 2014 back around the averages of the past ten years. June and July were punctuated by stormy spells but the latter half of July was sunnier and hotter for the cluster closing and the colour change, improving the potential of development for phenolic compounds in the grapes. The fine weather then settled in from 15th August with mild temperatures that maintained good acidity levels. Then the month of September was among the hottest and sunniest of the decade, beneficial to the positive hydric stress that would bring smoothness to the tannins developing in the skins and pips. The careful mastery of the yield, vigour and early de-leafing all ensured the grapes remained perfectly healthy, making it possible to pick each grape variety at optimum ripeness.

NOTES DE DÉGUSTATION / TASTING NOTES

JAMES SUCKLING / JAMES SUCKLING.COM

95/100

Complex aromas of dried flowers, dark fruits such as currants and plums and then a wet-earth undertone. Wet licorice as well. Full body, firm and silky tannins and an entrancing finish. Tight and polished. Drink in 2022.
February 2017

JEB DUNNUCK

92/100

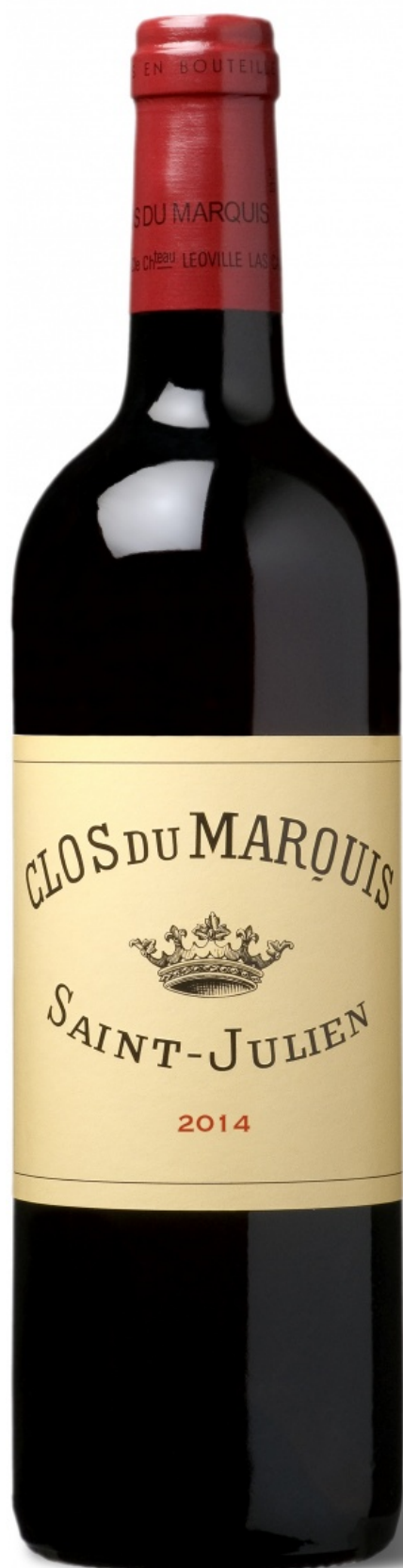
The 2014 Clos Du Marquis is a gem, and certainly a match for the 2012, although the 2015 has slightly more oomph. A blend of 74% Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest Merlot and Cabernet Franc, it boasts a ripe, medium to full-bodied, silky style as well as lots of chocolate, graphite, and scorched earth aromatics. With a core of crème de cassis-like fruit, impressive balance, sweet tannin, and a great



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finish, it should drink well for 15-20 years.
December 2017

VINOUS / ANTONIO GALLONI

91

The 2014 Clos du Marquis is a rich, powerful wine. Sweet tobacco, herb, anise and leather notes give the wine its distinctive savory/earthy profile. The 2014 is plump, juicy and quite dense for the year. The tannins are a bit rustic, but the 2014 is very nicely rendered. Today, the 2014 is a bit less gracious than it was from barrel. It will be interesting to see if the wine is going through a phase of awkwardness or if it is destined to remain somewhat rough around the edges. The blend is 74 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 22 % Merlot and 4 % Cabernet Franc.

February 2017

Antonio Galloni

WINE ADVOCATE / NEAL MARTIN

92/100

Has kept that soupçon of opulence that I observed when this was in barrel; it has layers of blackberry, raspberry coulis, incense and iris emerging from the glass whilst maintaining superb delineation. The palate is medium-bodied with a gentle grip on the entry. Graphite-infused red and black fruit on the front palate whilst the back is adorned with just a hint of blue fruit that lends this a more feminine allure. There is lovely balance here, fresh and focused with a touch of graphite borrowed from over the border in Pauillac. This is an excellent Clos du Marquis that will give 20 years of pleasure.

Neal Martin

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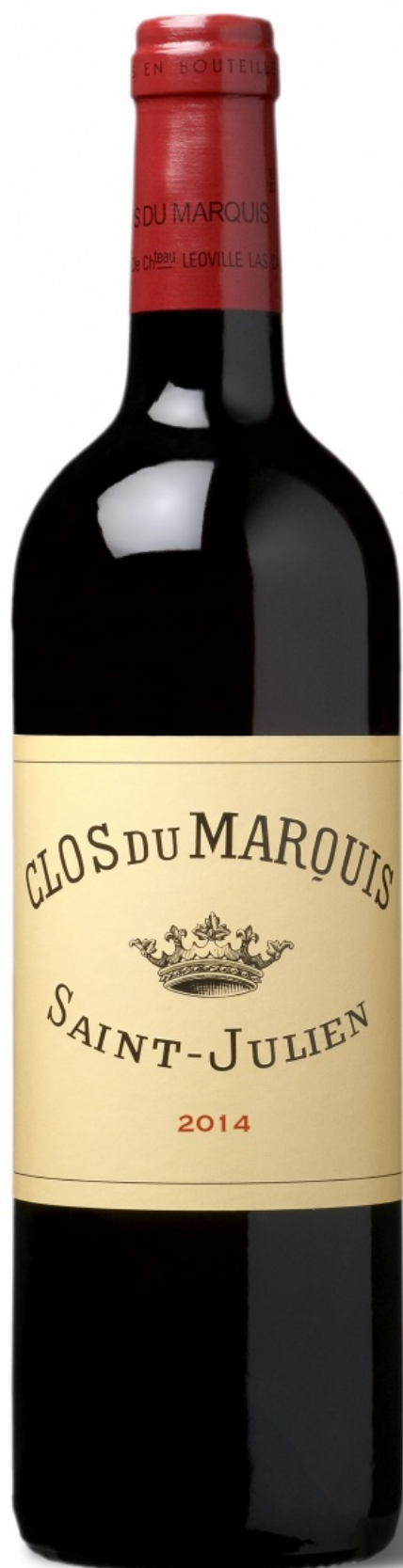
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An attractive Clos du Marquis that is elegant and vibrant with juicy red fruit character. Good substance on the palate with blackberry, cassis and cedar notes in the finish. The ripeness was archived at the end so harvest was long, from mid-September to mid-October.

REVUE DU VIN DE FRANCE

16.5-17.5/20

D'une densité impressionnante, mais avec beaucoup de raffinement, le Clos du Marquis s'impose une nouvelle fois comme un des incontournables du millésime. Nous saluons son équilibre et la gestion de l'élevage sur l'échantillon dégusté. Un futur grand classique.

ROGER VOSS / WINE ENTHUSIAST

94-96

From a separate vineyard on the Léoville Las Cases estate, this is a solid structured, concentrated wine of power and depth. It just avoids the bitterness of extraction because of the super-rich Berry and plum fruits. The tough background yields to vibrant acidity on the finish.

R. Voss

31/03/2015

WEINWISSER

17/20

Dunkles Granat, recht satt in der Mitte, rubiner Rand. Sehr rotbeeriges Bouquet, die Beeren wirken wie just gepflückt, dahinter Rosenpfeffer und fein florale Züge, zeigt sich ziemlich engmaschig im Nasenansatz.

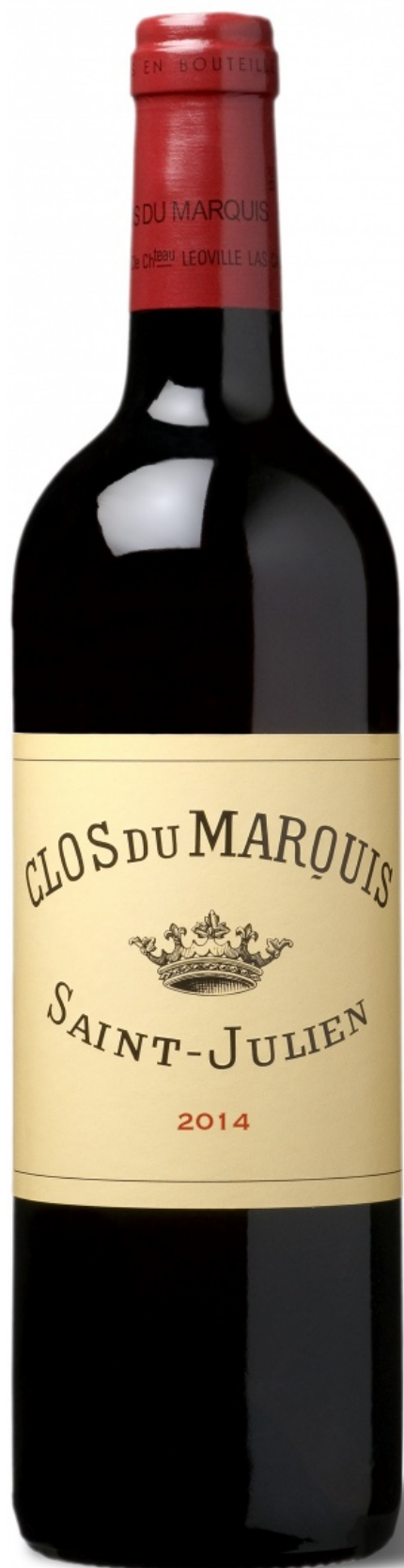
Stoffiger Gaumen, rotes Cassis und angenehmer Nachklang. Weiss spontan zu gefallen, durfe bald und auch relativ lange Freude bereiten.



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WINE SPECTATOR / JAMES MOLESWORTH

91/100

Pure and vibrant, with a lovely stream of plum, cassis and blackberry confiture notes, laced with licorice snap and violet hints. A sleek graphite detail harnesses the finish. Wins on purity in the end.

Best from 2019 through 2028.

James MOLESWORTH

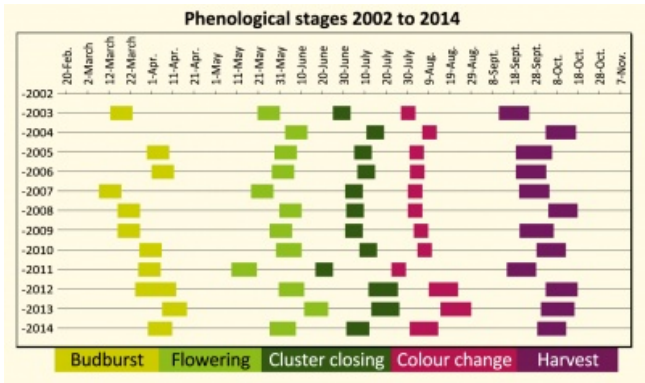


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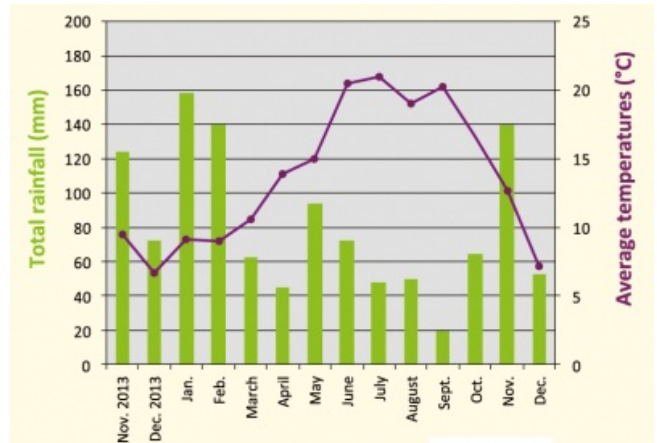
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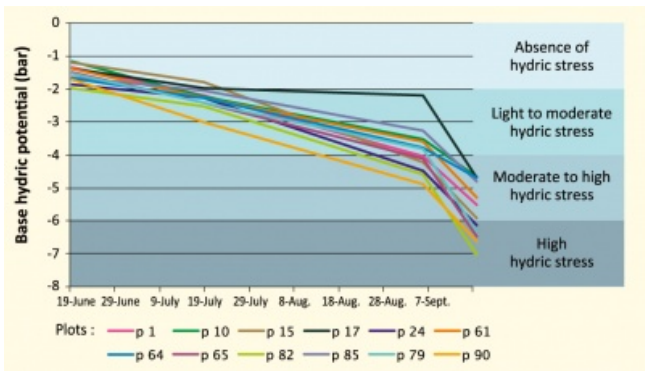
Stades phénologiques / Phenological cycle



Pluviométrie et températures en 2014 / Total rainfall and average temperatures in 2014



Mesure des contraintes hydriques en 2014 / Hydric stress in 2014



Comparatif des températures et précipitations sur la période végétative : du 1er mars au 31 octobre / Comparison of temperatures and rainfall during the growth cycle : from 1st March to 31st October

