



CHATEAU  
LYNCH  BAGES

"2021, a 'Rock and Roll' vintage!"

Jean-Charles Cazes



## Château Lynch-Bages, four centuries of progress



Located on the outskirts of **Pauillac**, overlooking the Gironde estuary, and with a history dating back to **1632**, the Lynch-Bages vineyard stretches over a beautiful gravelly hilltop. Formerly owned by the illustrious Lynch family, of Irish descent, the estate was given a new dimension in the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

Jean-Charles Cazes, a former baker in Pauillac, acquired the property in **1939**. Since 2007, his great-grandson and namesake has been managing the property following in the footsteps of his father, Jean-Michel. Today **Jean-Charles Cazes** represents the **fourth generation** of the Cazes family.

Following the 2016 harvest, renovation work began at the estate, overseen by American architect **Chien Chung Pei**. The new cellars aim to improve the **precision** of the whole winemaking process.

The **2020 vintage** marks a turning point in the history of Château Lynch-Bages : **the first to be processed in our new winery**.



Château Lynch-Bages displays textbook Pauillac style with distinctive hedonistic character. With generous aromas in its youth, the wine develops additional layers of complexity with the ageing process.



# 2021, ROCK and ROLL

The meteorological context in 2021 was complicated at times, marked by cool temperatures and a slight water deficit, resulting in a vintage that brought the expression of **great "terroirs"** to the front.

The climatic conditions at the end of September allowed the Cabernets to reach **perfect maturity**, of a particular high **quality**.

**Alcohol by volume is moderate** and back to classic levels, between 12.5 and 13.5% vol.

The wines offer a beautiful colour and have a good extractable **anthocyanin** content, despite the low temperature variations observed over the summer.

The ripening conditions and moderate water stress bring a powerful **freshness** and beautiful **aromatic complexity**, with very marked notes of fresh red fruits.



Appellation  
Pauillac

Surface  
110 hectares

Terroir (soil)  
Garonne gravel

Harvest  
Hand-picked and sorted  
at the vineyard and table

Average yields (appellation)  
35 hl per hectare

Ageing

18 months in French oak barrels  
(75% new wood)

Blend

67% Cabernet Sauvignon  
25% Merlot  
3% Cabernet Franc  
5% Petit Verdot

Analyses

Acidity: 3.80 g/l of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>  
Alcohol: 13.14% vol.  
pH: 3.72  
TPI: 90

## The new winery

- Ergonomic and functional

A large and modular harvest reception hall with **three reception lines**; **80 tanks** of various capacities in order to precisely adapt the vinification process to the intra-plot mapping of the vineyard;

**Six elevator-mounted tanks** allow for smooth and easy "delestage" from tank to tank and ensure the connection with the underground barrel cellar;

The underground barrel cellar where two harvests can be **aged simultaneously side by side** and stacked up on two levels.

- Designed by American architect Chien Chung Pei

Chien Chung Pei is known for his many achievements worldwide (China, Hong Kong, United States, Brazil, Mexico, United Arab Emirates, etc.), particularly the Guanajuato State Library in León, Mexico, the Museum of Islamic Art Park in Doha, and the Six Dynasties Museum in China.

- The environmental dimension

The new winery's orientation, design and materials all contribute to making the building energy efficient. The vat room has an industrial-inspired sawtooth roof, comprising a succession of gabled roofs with a large north-facing window. It leans on the sky, allowing the teams to work in an environment flooded with natural light.

The roof will soon accommodate solar panels in order to have an energy-self-sufficient building in the future.



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