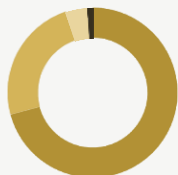


CHATEAU SMITH HAUT LAFITTE

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ



Blend:

68 % Cabernet Sauvignon
27 % Merlot
4 % Cabernet Franc
1 % Petit Verdot



Château Smith Haut Lafitte Red 2025

Organic & biodynamic agriculture

Yield : 28 hl/ha, prior to selection for the estate's three wines: Chateau Smith Haut Lafitte, Les Hauts de Smith, Le Petit Smith Haut Lafitte.

Winemaking: Following double sorting before and after destemming, the grapes are vinified as whole berries, with partial use of whole clusters. Extraction is achieved through gentle punch-downs and/or pump-overs. Long macerations continue at 26–28°C, with durations tailored to each vat in order to preserve the wine's balance and precision.

Ageing: 18 months in barrels (50% are new barrels produced in our in-house cooperage), with aging on lees. After being racked a single time, wine is aged according to its profile.

Average vine age: 49 years old.

Tasting note by Fabien Teitgen, Winemaker:

«This wine displays a deep, dark red color. The first nose reveals a beautiful freshness of ripe fruit: red berries (cherry, raspberry), black fruit (wild blackberry), and a hint of blackcurrant. With aeration, the wine unveils its tremendous aromatic potential, combining these fresh fruit notes with more delicate aromas of flowers (peony), sweet spices (fennel seed, star anise, fenugreek, mountain hay...), before revealing a darker dimension of graphite, pencil lead, and warm earth, bringing remarkable complexity.

The palate opens with a surprisingly fresh attack, supported by a beautifully soft and caressing texture. The mid-palate is all finesse and delicacy at first, before expanding with restrained power and a superb structural framework. It is focused, full-bodied, dense, with impressive length and outstanding harmony. A perfectly balanced wine, marked by great precision, vibrant freshness, and remarkable energy.

On the palate, one finds again the complexity revealed on the nose, with crunchy fruit, very delicate floral notes, and spices that beautifully enhance the finish.

A magnificent vintage for Château Smith Haut Lafitte, destined to stand among the estate's benchmark wines.»

Tasting notes

James Suckling	Alexandre Ma	Jeb Dunnuck	XL Vins	Vinum	Vert de Vin
97-98	97-99	97-99	100	98-100	99-100