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## Introduction

Is it another miraculous vintage in Bordeaux? Well, yes and no. 2010 was a very dry year, much like 2005 and 1995, producing wines with enormous amounts of concentration. Rich in fruit and robust with tannin, these wines are very different to the 2009 vintage and many growers have been almost a little embarrassed to declare 2010 as an even better vintage. The 2009 vintage produced powerful wines, but they are more opulent and fruit-driven in style when compared to 2010. Although 2010 experienced almost the same amount of sun hours during ripening, the severe lack of water together with warm (but by no means hot) temperatures produced grapes with far more concentration and sugar. The results; wines with greater phenolic concentration, overwhelming aromatic richness, and well-preserved acidity to retain vital freshness. One of my colleagues rather aptly described the vintage as "2005 with bristles".

## Growing Conditions

Early winter rainfall kept the water table well topped-up (much needed for the dry summer to follow). During spring, the effects of unsettled weather slowed budding and hindered flowering causing 'couleure' - un-set flowers leading to open bunches which reduced the need for green harvesting and together with the hot weather, reduced the need for disease control. Temperatures increased from July through to September, but without ever being blistering (no danger of the vines cooking à la 2003). This caused early sugar build-up trapping the much needed acidic elements for the vintage. With almost no rain from mid-June the sugars were at the optimum (14°-15°) and all that was required was time for the tannins to mature. The region was lucky to catch the edge of various low-pressure systems through September and October which provided much-needed rain. The Merlots were picked early and Cabernets left to re-concentrate before being harvested.

## The Wines

The 2010 vintage has produced powerful wines as a result of a terrific growing season. High sugars created wines that are structured, higher in tannins and in alcohol, but they have much more acidity than the 2009s and that is the key to freshness - the combined levels of tannin and acidity give them the potential

to be very long-lived. This is generally a Cabernet vintage (both Sauvignon and Franc), and in some cases the Merlots just couldn't cope with the dry climatic conditions.

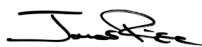
The Médoc has (again) produced some magnificent wines, with Pauillac standing out with barely a wine that was not imbued with classic Cabernet fruit - big, but not aggressive, tannins with stunning freshness. St Julien and St Estèphe are close behind but Margaux is more mixed, although Châteaux Margaux is sublime. It has been a storming vintage in Pessac-Léognan/Graves with some superb examples, this is where a higher proportion of Merlot in the blend seems to have worked exceptionally well. Across on the Right Bank, Pomerol has come out well with typical finesse melding with the extra structure and acidity the vintage has produced. St Emilion is where the most imbalance is found, but do not write them all off as a number of top names have proved that less is more in 2010. Further south there has been another fine vintage in Sauternes with many lovely, fresh, pretty wines produced.

## The Prices

Hum! Well if truth be known, I can really only hazard a guess on this, as no one was saying much in Bordeaux in early April. My suspicion is that the First Growths will continue the trend of last year and a case at £10k on release cannot be far away. Below this, I suspect that the Super Seconds will follow suit and that the rest will stick their toes in the water at broadly the same levels as last year

## Recommendations

Yet again, we have an extraordinary vintage, one that is reminiscent of 2005 with its concentration and 2000 for that matter, but with more alcohol. Some châteaux believe that their 2010s will turn out better than their '09s, and this could be a re-run of 1989/1990. One thing is for certain 2010 is not 2009, it is bigger, more concentrated and, dare I say it, more Bordelaise in style. I believe that many of the wines will turn out to be even better than their predecessors. It is an exceptional vintage and one that should be part of any serious wine lover's cellar.



James Price  
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# Saint Estèphe

## Château Calon Ségur

£600-800

86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, and 2% Petit Verdot.

Brambly black fruit nose with notes of plum and light mineral tones. Full-bodied, the palate expresses excellent intensity with loads of blackberry and blueberry fruit. With tangy acidity the fruit is very lively, balanced and rich. On the finish these vibrant fruits come together with well-rounded tannins that have good length. The finish is long with lots of purity.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17.5+.

## Château Cos d'Estournel

£2500-3200

78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 19% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc and 1% Petit Verdot.

A very dense nose expressing pure mineral tones with brilliant blackberry fruit - notes of graphite give a dark, yet fresh, finish. Huge power on the palate with a juicy feel. The mixed sweet black fruits are in check with a luscious acidity that creates a vibrant feel. With massive structure and concentration the tannins are very well-moulded and carry on through a very lengthy finish.

Drink from 2030. Genesis score 18.5.

## Pagodes de Cos

£400-650

62% Merlot and 38% Cabernet Sauvignon

Delicious and very polished on the nose - very sexy and hedonistic. Less showy on the palate than the 'Cos' but very pure too.

There is verve and structure backed with excellent warmth from the tannins. The palate expresses lovely ripe cassis with hints of tobacco, cedar, overtones of mocha and chocolate that are so inviting. The finish is long and vibrant.

Drink from 2017. Genesis score 17.

## Château Montrose

£1275 -1750

53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot, 9% Cabernet Franc and 1% Petit Verdot.

Attractive nose that bursts out of the glass. Boysenberry and blackberry fruits, hints of violet, and some crushed rock-like minerality.

This is a very polished wine with lots of power and concentration. Layers of black fruit on the palate are woven with a graphite edge, the fine tannins are integrated brilliantly too. Good use of oak, good structure and nice acidity on the finish.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 18.5.

## Château Lafon Rochet

£250 -350

Oak and blackberry aromas are well balanced on the nose together with an added touch of minerality - the level of

concentration is very noticeable. Full-bodied, these black fruits are very forward on the palate with the oak expressing itself mid-way through. Somewhat sweet and chocolaty, the flavours are really quite bold. The tannins are warm and well-integrated with a finish that is fruit-driven and persistent. Big Wine.

Drink from 2021. Genesis score 16.5+.

## Château Ormes de Pez

£240-350

54% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, 2% Petit Verdot. 35% new oak.

Very dark purple. A sexy nose full with succulent dark fruits, lots of cassis, cream and blackcurrants. The palate is wonderfully pure with plenty of structure and weight. Full and velvety, there is a touch of spice alongside a persistent and fresh finish.

Drink from 2020. Genesis score 16+.

## Château de Pez

£180-240

An explosive nose that leaps out of the glass - ripe black fruits, pure and fresh. A juicy palate with very generous fruit and good mouth feel. The black fruits have excellent length and the finish is delicious.

Drink from 2019. Genesis score 16.5+.

# Pauillac

## Château D'Armailhac

£325-425

60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot.

Floral nose with good cassis fruit – some toasty tones too. A big structured wine on the palate that is powerful on the attack although warm and pure. The tannins are well-rounded with flavours of boysenberry and blackberry, alongside notes of vanilla and roast coffee. The finish is long and textured. A pretty wine.

Drink from 2020. Genesis score 17.

## Château Clerc Milon

£350-450

50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 36% Merlot, 11% Cabernet Franc, 2% Petit Verdot and 1% Carmenère.

Dark red with violet tints. A really sexy nose with superb purity of fruit – wild berries with high tones of liquorice and black pepper. The wine is generously warming on the palate, round and succulent. The black fruits are balanced with tannic structure that is delivered with a velvety and refined feel. The finish is long and fresh.

Drink from 2023. Genesis score 17+.

## Château Duhart Milon

£825-1125

73% Cabernet Sauvignon and 27% Merlot.

Deep dark nose expressing black and red fruits with liquorice and a light mineral edge – undertones of oak too. The palate is fleshy with plenty of depth, exquisite with its uber ripe and rich blackfruits. The oak notes really come through complemented by the massive concentration and power of the wine. This is serious stuff. With refreshing acidity there is huge length on the finish.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17.5.

## Château Grand Puy Lacoste

£565-750

83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 17% Merlot and 2% Cabernet Franc. 75% new oak.

Deep red in colour. Glorious nose of blackcurrant, cedar and cassis - slightly spiced from such mature grapes. Round and pure on the palate and slightly restrained - with time this will add fat to the structure. With lovely mineral tones and a touch of graphite, the feel is quite polished. A precise 'Lacoste', complex with a persistent and warm textured finish.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17+.

## Lacoste Borie

£220-320

62% Cabernet Sauvignon, 32% Merlot and 6% Cabernet Franc.

Lovely mineral nose, clean and fresh with sweet dark berry fruits and a touch of cinnamon spice too. The palate is full-bodied with excellent acidity that is supported by bountiful blackberry fruits. Traditional claret with a soft finish.

Drink from 2016. Genesis score 15+.

## Château Haut Batailley

£280-350

78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Merlot and 2% Cabernet Franc. 58% new oak.

An almost impenetrable nose - super ripe and fresh with rich black fruits. The palate exudes purity, with refined and decadent tannins. There is good balance of oak and fruit that gives structure. A fruit-filled finish gives the wine a certain kind of charm.

Drink from 2020. Genesis score 16.5+.

## Château Lafite Rothschild

£9700-12000

87.2% Cabernet Sauvignon and 12.8% Merlot

Very dense on the nose - mouthwatering black fruits, good use of oak and light cinnamon undertones. With considerable depth and structure on the palate, the walls of the mouth are coated with mesmerising tannin giving excellent structure and a succulent feel. A profound style, underlying tones of graphite and cedar appear among buckets of ripe black fruits. This will need some time. Terrific freshness and fruit, full to the brim. As ever, very cerebral.

Drink from 2035. Genesis score 19+.

**Carruades de Lafite**

£1500-2200

50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 42.5% Merlot, 5.1% Cabernet Franc and 2.4% Petit Verdot.

Deep purple. Very pure nose with supple black fruits – there are also notes of tobacco, graphite, cigar box with some added underlying minerality. The palate has fantastic black fruit, deep with a little hidden menthol. The tannins are warm and the cassis flavours inviting. Structured with refreshing acidity, the wood comes through towards the finish, unforced and pure.

Drink from 2020. Genesis score 17+.

**Château Latour**

£10000-12000

90.5% Cabernet Sauvignon and 8.5% Merlot

A majestic Latour challenging the 2009. It has intense perfume packed with black fruits, cherry, raspberry and topped with vibrant rock-like minerality. An incredible palate with weight and immense concentration. Full-bodied, the tannins are focused leaving an off-dry finish. A monumental Latour, broader than the other firsts and one for our children's children. An enormous wine with fabulous energy.

Drink from 2035. Genesis score 19.5.

**Château Lynch Bages**

£860-1100

79% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc and 1% Petit Verdot.

Explosive nose with loads of blackcurrant and blackberry fruits - polished with nuances of sweet oak. The palate is full-bodied, big and concentrated. The fruit is very forward and very round on the palate. The tannins are precise and mouth-coating creating well-rounded texture. The acidity is slightly subdued but lasting on the finish.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 18.5+.

**Château Mouton Rothschild**

£7500-9500

94% Cabernet Sauvignon and 6% Merlot

Rich, deep concentrated nose with lots of purity - sweet pure blackcurrant and black cherry fruit aromas with a touch of cedar too. Well-integrated, the tannins help create depth with wonderful soft and lasting texture. The fruits are very black in style but slightly creamy too, supple with velvety finesse. The finish is vast and very classy.

Drink from 2035. Genesis score 19.

**Château Pichon Longueville Baron**

£1025-1350

67% Cabernet Sauvignon and 33% Merlot.

Big leathery nose with masses of black fruit. It's so pure and so ripe on the palate. Full-bodied with brilliant definition and focus - this seems less pushed than previous vintages. Moreish in the mouth, it is big and juicy, with lots of power, richness and length on the finish. This is an excellent 'Baron'.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17.5+.

**Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande**

£1250-1750

66% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc and 3% Petit Verdot.

Very intense nose of black plum, currant and blackberry fruit, a little graphite and some forest floor with a touch of pepper. The palate has amazing intensity with fine grained tannins. Plenty of warmth and structure from the high proportion of Cabernet Sauvignon, the finish lingers, very balanced and promising.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 18.5.

**Château Pontet Canet**

£870-1100

65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc and 1% Petit Verdot.

A very stunning nose, very pure with black cherries, cassis, liquorice and a hint of mint. Super ripe in the mouth, it is full-bodied with firm tannins and striking purity. The freshness is terrific, very focused with the more mineral elements showing towards the finish. Very good consistency on the finish, light black truffle and a touch of oak.

Drink from 2023. Genesis score 18.5.

# Saint Julien

## Château Branaire Ducru

£495-750

70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23.5% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc 2.5% Petit Verdot.

Elegant aromas of raspberry, boysenberry, graphite and a touch of cassis. The palate reveals ripe black fruits, concentrated and very mouth-filling. The taut tannins are well intergrated with the oak, and the rich black fruits provide structure and weight.

Very broad and dense. Nice acidity and freshness on the finish.

Drink from 2020. Genesis score 17.

## Château Ducru Beaucaillou

£2000-2500

90% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Merlot. 95% new oak.

Profound dark violet almost opaque colour. Glorious nose with aromas of dark black and red fruits and a little mint and spice (cinammon) to complement. The palate is very fleshy with loads of ripe cassis, an imposing structure, yet so round and luscious. With plenty of purity the finish is impressively persistent. A fabulous 'Ducru'.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 18.5.

## Croix de Beaucaillou

£270-400

85% Cabernet Sauvignon and 15% Merlot. 60% new oak.

Dark violet colour. A very perfumed nose with aromas of ripe black cherries and a hint of mint. This has to be the best Croix de Beaucaillou we have tasted. Upfront and balanced, flavours of black cherry, boysenberry, liquorice and a touch of spice coat the palate. It is very concentrated with great acidity that pulls these flavours together. Excellent cassis fruit on the finish.

Drink from 2018. Genesis score 16.5+.

## Château Gruaud Larose

£450-750

Very toasty on the nose but with plenty of fruit - almost Syrah-like with notes of leather and cassis. Lots of flesh on the palate and plenty of concentration too. The blackberry and raspberry flavours are to the fore with the oak notes more mid palate.

This is old-fashioned Gruaud at its best; slightly chewy tannins and a long finish with gentle grip and great persistency.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 17+.

## Château Langoa Barton

£450-750

Very perfumed nose with bright blackberry aromas and a good dose of oak. Full and ripe on the palate the tannins are obvious but gentle. Black cherry and blackberry flavours are further enhanced by refreshing acidity that gives structure and lasting flavour on the finish. A very good wine.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17.

## Château Léoville Barton

£775-950

Fantastic nose of rich black and red fruits - very expressive. This is a juicy wine with lots of weight and impact in the mouth.

The texture is almost velvety, black fruits envelope the mouth alongside tannins that are firm and mouth coating. Very concentrated and long on the finish. A brilliant Barton.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 18.

## Château Léoville Las Cases

£2425-3000

82% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc and 8% Merlot.

Staggeringly huge nose that jumps out of the glass with black cherry fruit and fine wood aromas. An extremely full-bodied style with so much purity and depth, but with wonderful velvety expressions too - this is just glorious in the mouth. A monumental wine with plenty of texture and loads of polish. 1st growth quality.

Drink from 2035. Genesis score 19.

**Clos du Marquis**

£375-450

75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 17% Merlot and 8% Cabernet Franc

Quite opulent and very pure on the nose with ripe black fruits that lead into wonderful mineral overtones. Plenty of weight through the palate, well-integrated, with tannins that lean more towards the firm spectrum. Fine definition here and lots of length on the finish.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 16.5+.

**Château Léoville Poyferré**

£800-1050

Floral on the nose with notes of violet, cassis and wonderfully minerality. The palate towers with richness, very fruit driven expressing black plum and cherry fruits with hints of spice and light smoky undertones. It seems more feminine in style than the Barton which has much more up front oak. The tannins are round and finish long and persistent with a light wood edge.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 17.5.

**Château Talbot**

£410-600

65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot and 5% Petit Verdot. 50% new oak.

Attractive aromas of blue fruits - blueberry and plum - combined with a touch of forest floor. Very pure and unforced, the palate is medium-bodied, slightly rustic, with blackberry flavours and a touch of pepper. Not big and extracted, but more balanced with supple cassis. The gentle concentration makes this very attractive.

Drink from 2018. Genesis score 17.

## Margaux

**Château Giscours**

£430-600

71% Cabernet Sauvignon and 29% Merlot

Deep purple. Sexy nose with sweet aromas of boysenberry and blackberry fruits intermixed with some cassis and a touch of graphite. The palate is full to the brim with sweet black fruits, some raspberry too, fresh and very polished.

With good balance of oak and acidity, the wine has a fresh and lasting finish. This is very good.

Drink from 2020. Genesis score 17.5.

**Château Kirwan**

£400-500

Deep inky purple colour. Fabulous burst of dark fruits on the nose, blackberry, and currant with a touch of cedar and graphite. The palate is full-bodied with velvety tannins coating the mouth. Gorgeous black fruits layer on the palate, pretty with brilliant acidity to balance. A lingering finish with a streak of oak that complements the wine.

Drink from 2019. Genesis score 16.5.

**Château Lascombes**

£700-850

Less of a fruit bomb than usual. Very pure on the nose, fleshy with a touch of cassis. The palate is ripe, extracted and quite meaty.

This is really good, polished, with lovely texture and mouth-feel, and very lean as the same time. Blackcurrants and blackberry flavours come through on the palate, upfront and round. Well-judged tannins and warming oak hold on a lengthy finish.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17.5.

**Château Palmer**

£2425-3250

54% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon and 6% Petit Verdot.

Gorgeous red and black fruit nose, ripe blackberry and a little prune - floral with notes of violet too. Very polished and classy the palate, it is full of black fruits and supple oak - well structured wine that oozes freshness. The tannins are rich and are complemented by good acidity creating pleasing tension with a lengthy finish.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 17.5.

**Alter Ego de Palmer**

£400-550

51% Merlot and 49% Cabernet Sauvignon.

Very deep perfumed nose of black plum and cherry fruits with floral overtones. The palate is pure and polished creating an exciting feel. Rich blueberry and plum fruits which dominate the front palate, are ripe and juicy. The oak is a little dominant towards the back but will subsume with time. Nice mineral notes on the finish with fantastic freshness and length.

Drink from 2020. Genesis score 16.5.

**Château d'Issan**

£450-650

Perfumed black and blue fruits on the nose. The palate is juicy and succulent with plenty of raspberry and cherry fruits to the fore. The tannins are wonderfully textured and well integrated creating a pleasant mouth feel. The wine is well structured and the acidity is kept in check with a good balance of fruit and tannin. Nice concentration towards the finish.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17+.

**Château Margaux**

£8000-11000

90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, 1.5% Cabernet Franc and 1.5% Petit Verdot.

The highest amount of Cabernet Sauvignon ever in a Margaux. An amazing nose of concentrated black fruits, cassis and a touch of leather - almost feminine in style. Sensational on the palate, it has so much purity and precision, silky and wonderfully supple. The Cabernet fruit provides depth and power; cherry, boysenberry, blackberry fruits are all in the mix. It is tremendously balanced and exudes finesse with glorious texture. Brilliant wine.

Drink from 2030+. Genesis score 19.5.

**Pavillon Blanc white**

£700-795

100% Sauvignon Blanc

Quote from Chateau Margaux 'superb vintage for the white'. Very perfumed on the nose, hints of white flowers, nuances of oak, brilliant crushed stone-like minerality and refreshing acidity too. The palate is so fresh and creamy, light lime zest tones with crisp granny-smith apple. Very vibrant and complete.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17.5+.

**Pavillon Rouge**

£850-1100

70% Cabernet Sauvignon and 30% Merlot

Quote from Chateau Margaux 'for us this is the best ever'. A very pretty nose, lots of floral notes with buckets of cassis.

Rich, ripe, and juicy black fruits burst through on the palate providing serious depth and concentration. Well-integrated tannins are round and very noticeable. A structured mouth feel with plenty of fruit and freshness which carries through on the finish with a lifting touch of oak.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17.5.

## Haut Médoc, Médoc, Moulis en Médoc & Listrac

**Château Beaumont**

£80-120

53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 43% Merlot and 4% Petit Verdot.

Very blue fruit nose, opulent and layered with slight ink characters and a touch of cigar box. The palate possesses good weight and concentration. Medium-bodied with good acidity, the blueberry and black plum fruits are to the front and then the tannins follow through coating the mouth lavishly. A good finish, lasting, not dry and quite enjoyable.

Drink from 2016. Genesis score 15.5.

**Château Hourtin-Ducasse**

Confirmed £87.00

Good Cabernet fruit on the nose, a bit of cassis and spice too. Ripe redcurrant and blackberry fruits create a lovely, rich and succulent mouth feel. Very pure with excellent texture, the acidity provides structure creating good mouth feel.

Persistent on the finish with a touch of oak to complement. Great wine for the price, a Genesis recommendation.

Drink from 2017. Genesis score 15.5+.

**Château Poujeaux**

£200-250

50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc and 5% Petit Verdot

Classy nose with plenty of cassis well integrated with cedar and a touch of smokiness - lots of purity here and good precision of fruit and oak. Firm tannins, but the fleshiness creates tension and a pleasing mouth feel. There is good length on the finish - the dark fruits carry on towards the end and are lifted by good acidity.

Drink from 2020. Genesis score 16+.

**Château Potensac**

£180-275

42% Merlot, 37% Cabernet Sauvignon, 21% Cabernet Franc and 5% Petit Verdot

Love this on the nose, very juicy with plenty of cassis and a touch of blackberry too. The palate is full-bodied, rich and concentrated with lots of definition. The fruit is upfront, juicy, and fresh. A sweet and lingering finish creates a lively feel.

Drink from 2019. Genesis score 16.

**Château Cissac**

£80-120

Wonderful mineral nose with good tension. Very good weight on the palate, pure, rich and full. This is complemented by ripe black cherry and currant fruits that help round-off the firm structure. A little grip on the finish but overall a pretty good wine.

Drink from 2019. Genesis score 15.5+.

## Pessac-Léognan

**Château Branon**

£800-950

Very pure and elegant on the nose - blackberry and black cherry fruits with nuances of graphite providing a mineral feel. The palate expresses excellent depth and with lots of power and concentration. Flavours of mocha, blackberry together with fine but persistent tannins create a mouth-filling concentration. Quite complex and very long on the finish.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 18+.

**Clos Floridene**

£120-180

Great purity on the nose with aromas of sweet red berry fruits, a touch of blackberry and a little cassis. Quite suave on the palate, the fruits are decadent and upfront and the texture round and supple - a very graceful style. The back palate grows and delivers a punch of concentrated dark fruits. The finish is long with a well-judged amount of oak.

Drink from 2018. Genesis score 16.

**Clos Floridene white**

£120-180

Super fresh, with light green apple and lime zest aromas. The palate is softer with the fruit very dominant. Wonderful white stone fruit flavours linger and the acidity is balanced. Precise, the palate lingers on the finish.

Drink from 2012. Genesis score 16.5.

**Domaine de Chevalier**

£525-650

63% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot

Very broad nose with blackcurrant and blackberry fruits with some spice and a little truffle too. The palate has brilliant minerality with plenty of seasoned oak, not over the top but in check with the rich black fruits. There is loads of power and weight giving a very long and persistent finish.

Drink from 2018. Genesis score 17.5.

**Domaine de Chevalier Blanc white**

£700-850

A very exotic and enticing nose, fresh with light honey and blossom aromas - well balanced with oak too. The mouth feel is lovely and succulent and the palate shows notes of mandarin and white stone fruits. A touch of oak complements the fruit and gives added complexity to the well-judged acidity. A lingering finish.

Drink from 2015. Genesis score 18.

**Château Haut Bailly**

£875-1050

62% Cabernet Sauvignon, 36% Merlot and 2% Cabernet Franc

Dark purple. Wonderful dark black fruit nose, a hint of spice with a touch of cassis. The palate is very mineral like and complete with sweet ripe plum and blackberry flavours. Noticeable tannins are present, but it is very complex with plenty of power. The finish is long with a touch of oak. This will age beautifully.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17+.

**Château Haut Bergey**

£250-300

A terrific Haut Bergey. An exuberant nose of blackberry, dark cherry and overlying toasty notes. Full-bodied with amazing purity and very concentrated. The finish is long with good freshness.

Drink from 2019. Genesis score 17.

**Etoile de Bergey**

£100-160

Deep purple. Fantastic purity, fine and elegant with generous ripe red fruits. The palate is structured and very upfront in style. There is good use of oak with the fruit more forward on the palate. The tannins are round and hold well on the finish.

Drink from 2016. Genesis score 15+

**Château Haut Bergey Blanc white**

£240-325

80% Sauvignon Blanc and 20% Semillon.

Delicious citrus filled nose, plenty of zesty lime together with some crushed stone-like minerality. The palate is very juicy and vibrant with fresh acidity. Very elegant and balanced with white stone fruits and a touch of oak to complement. A lovely lift on the finish which is long and persistent.

Drink from 2015. Genesis score 17.

**Château Haut Brion**

£7250-8500

57% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc.

Very fresh upfront nose full with dark plum, currant and blueberry aromas – very polished in style with cedar and notes of cassis. The tannins are well-structured in the mouth and together with pleasing acidity create a polished feel. The fruit is to the front which then leads to a slight black pepper finish with rich black fruits, liquorice and spices that give a very masculine feel. Very well balanced and even more exotic and concentrated than usual.

Drink from 2040. Genesis score 19+.

**Château La Mission Haut Brion**

£6200-8500

62% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot and 1% Cabernet Franc.

Very dark complex nose with an assortment of ripe black fruits, mocha, a touch of cedar and some classy oak. So polished with immense concentration on the palate. Blue fruits hit the palate immediately alongside fine structured tannins and some toasty oak. Huge power on the finish, very long and lasting.

Drink from 2035. Genesis score 18.5.

**Château Les Carmes Haut Brion**

£400-550

55% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon and 15% Cabernet Franc.

A superb nose full with aromas of plum, blackcurrant, blueberry, a touch of cedar and a little cigar box. Lots of purity coming through on the palate with a hint of super-ripeness, but with the acidity to give some freshness too. There is plenty of power on the palate with good tannin and structure. Very long on the finish.

Drink from 2023. Genesis score 17.5+.

**Le Clarence Haut Brion**

£1000-1350

52% Merlot, 36% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot

Very high-toned red and black fruits, fine oak notes with hints of liquorice and graphite. The palate is very earthy in style, warm with a well-rounded mouth feel. The black fruits persist towards the front of the palate, then the oak comes through towards the back creating the earthy component. Excellent acidity and tannin make way for a very lengthy and robust finish.

Drink from 2021. Genesis score 17.

**La Chapelle de la Mission Haut Brion**

£500-750

47% Cabernet Sauvignon, 27% Merlot and 26% Cabernet Franc

Perfumed nose of violet, black cherry and raspberry fruit - overtones of cedar, cigar box and a little graphite come through too. Wonderful purity on the palate, concentrated with excellent depth. Full-bodied the palate reveals layers of black and red fruits, there are hints of cassis and light nuances of menthol.

Drink from 2023. Genesis score 17.

**Château Pape Clément Rouge**

£1050-1450

Very dark purple. Rich aromas of black fruits with notes of graphite provide tremendous depth and complexity. Very ripe with huge extraction and an abundance of oak gives plenty of power. Rich with black fruits, it is so concentrated but held together with vibrant acidity. There is some heat with plenty of length on the finish.

Drink from 2023. Genesis score 17.5+

**Château Smith Haut Lafitte**

£775-950

Wonderfully perfumed on the nose, pure and delicious. A classy style, very ripe and quite juicy with excellent depth.

Not as rich as the Pape Clément but somewhat more sophisticated. Ripe black fruits burst through on the palate. Well-extracted, the tannins are round and are complemented with a touch of light spice. The finish is long with a bit of crunchy black fruit to give balance.

Drink from 2023. Genesis score 17+.

## Saint Emilion

**Château Ausone**

£12000+

Uber perfumed on the nose with an explosion of blackberry and blueberry fruits, this oozes class. Very polished and pure in the mouth, it doesn't jump up and down but delivers. Full-bodied with incredible power and acidity, it touches every part of the palate, amazingly pure, incredible fruit, sweet tannins and plenty of grip. The finish goes on forever.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 19+.

**Chapelle d'Ausone**

£950-1750

A fantastic nose that just explodes out of the glass - macerated black cherries and cassis with hints of dark chocolate.

On the palate there is excellent weight of fruit and tannin and they are so wonderfully integrated. The acidity is superb, and the layers of textured fruit inviting. Round, persistent, and very concentrated, the finish is fabulous.

Drink from 2019. Genesis score 17+.

**Château Barde Haut**

£250-450

Fresh upfront nose, very polished with dominant black fruits, licouice and some good minerality. This is excellent. Very round tannic structure and very pure. Blackberry and blackcurrant fruits envelope the mouth backed by good acidity.

Very lively and long on the finish.

Drink from 2020. Genesis score 17.5.

**Vallon de Barde Haut**

£175-225

Wonderful sweet red fruits on the nose. The sweet fruits follow through on the palate with a little spice too and a touch of oak. Round, juicy, and very complete, there is plenty in this wine to enjoy; structure, fruit, balance and nice length on the finish.

Drink from 2013. Genesis score 15.5+.

**Château Beauséjour Duffau-Lagarosse**

£750-950

73% Merlot, 24% Cabernet Franc and 3% Cabernet Sauvignon.

Lots of purity on the nose with gorgeous sweet blackberries and spice. Excellent opening on the palate, it is juicy and concentrated with lots of ripe black fruits. The texture is round and mouthfilling. The wine builds giving a great deal of power and intensity. Very long on the finish and very good too.

Drink from 2019. Genesis score 18.

**Château Bellevue**

£350-450

Juicy vibrant nose, silky, with huge fruit concentration. Clear cedar notes and a mineral aspect - very classy. This is ultra ripe on the palate with blackberry and dark cherry fruit bursting through structured tannins - mouth warming and impressive. An immense and fresh wine that is concentrated like fresh jam.  
Drink from 2017. Genesis score 17.

**Château Cheval Blanc**

£7500-11000

56% Cabernet Franc and 44% Merlot.  
Intense crimson colour. Ultra perfumed nose – you could smell this for hours - ripe red and black fruits with a touch of graphite. Beginning quite smooth on the palate it becomes more immense with its concentration and big mouth feel. The tannins are finely grained helping produce a polished feel - it all comes together so well, elegant and graceful. The finish is never-ending, fresh, with huge amounts of fruit, structure, and acidity.  
Drink from 2030. Genesis score 19.

**Petit Cheval**

£800-1500

75% Merlot and 25% Cabernet Franc  
Attractive nose with ripe blackberry and cherry fruit, very pure with nuances of minerality and graphite too. The palate has tremendous depth and concentration, the dark fruit flavours persist against a blanket of freshness. For a second wine this has gallons of fruit. The tannins are well-rounded and the oak is lasting on the palate. Fresh and very vibrant this is a very good wine with a lenthly finish.  
Drink from 2020. Genesis score 17.5.

**Château Figeac**

£650-1050

Very pure on the nose with lots of fruit – blackcurrants, blueberry and plum. Full-bodied in style there is masses of wood but it is not over-extracted, more balanced with the rich dark fruits. A persistent wine with good freshness, long and dry with a little spice.  
Drink from 2025. Genesis score 17.5+.

**Château La Tour Figeac**

£165-250

Very enticing nose of mixed bright red fruits and a racy freshness that keeps you coming back for more. Quite supple on the palate, fleshy but not forced. Bramble and black cherry fruit flavours are more to the front. Towards the back, the ripeness of the fruit warms the palate and the textured tannins give support and structure. A touch of heat on the finish with plenty of fruit. This is good.  
Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17+.

**Château de Fonbel**

£150-225

A lifted bouquet of cranberry and a touch of blackberry on the nose. Very pure and unforced on the plate, ripe and deliciously inviting. Good length with a little crunch on the finish. A good little wine.  
Drink from 2018. Genesis score 16.

**Clos Fourtet**

£450-600

A lifted bouquet beneath a powerful amount of wood. Huge on the palate expressing massive depth and concentration. There is some heat and quite a lot of acidity. All the freshness with purity to follow. A big wine, not for the faint-hearted.  
Drink from 2025. Genesis score 17.5+.

**Château Larcis Ducasse**

£600-1200

79% Merlot and 21% Cabernet Franc  
Pretty sexy nose with high tones of red fruit, a bit of vanilla and some spice too. The fruit is very, very ripe. The black fruits dominate, and tannins give a rounded mouth feel. The purity is good and the acidity racy. They give a long and lasting fresh finish.  
Drink from 2018. Genesis score 17.5+.

**Château Moulin Saint Georges**

£275-450

Wonderfully perfumed on the nose with aromas of blueberry, cherry, violet and a touch of cassis. The palate is beautifully textured and silky with very juicy black and blue fruits to the fore. Medium to full-bodied the acidity gives good length and a fine finish. Drink from 2019. Genesis score 17.+.

**Château Pavie**

£2250-3000

70% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon. 80% new oak.

Deep purple. Very succulent nose with intense black fruit aromas. Full-bodied the palate has immense richness with plenty of freshness too. Ripe black fruits with cherry and some boysenberry create a fulfilled fruit feeling. Not overly extracted in any way the flavour is complemented by some vibrant freshness with a slight mineral edge and the finish carries on for ever. Drink from 2022. Genesis score 18.5.

**Château Troplong Mondot**

£800-1400

Very refined nose with polished black fruits, a touch of vanilla and hints of spicy cake. The black fruits coat the mouth, almost tar-like. The tannins are firm and the fruit coats the mouth. This is a monumental wine, and we suspect there is more alcohol than shows, but it is hidden by the depth and concentration of the wine.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 18.

## Pomerol & Satellites

**Château Clinet**

£1400-1800

85% Merlot, 12% Cabernet Sauvignon and 3% Cabernet Franc.

Very attractive nose, sweet red and black fruits with lovely definition. A full-bodied style, opulent with good freshness.

Wonderfully easy with excellent balance of fruit and oak. This has a real juicy impact, depth and concentration, though not over the top. The fruit-filled finish lingers.

Drink from 2022. Genesis score 17.5.

**Château La Conseillante**

£1200-1600

80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Sauvignon

Lovely ripe, rich nose with pure blackcurrant fruit and light mineral notes. It possess depth in fruit and in structure, a wealth of sweet blackberry and black cherry fruits, with a hint of oak. Extravagantly rich, pure, and with good definition.

The tannins overlap wonderfully on the palate, creating good feel and length on the finish. A very good wine.

Drink from 2023. Genesis score 18+.

**Clos L'Eglise**

£1350-1800

90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Sauvignon

Another superb vintage for this acclaimed property. Wonderful black fruit aromas with some floral notes and a touch of crème de cassis. Pure and sexy with rich black and blue fruits on the palate. Very intense and so concentrated, yet voluptuous and silky at the same time.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 18.5+.

**Esprit de L'Eglise**

£275-375

Very pure black fruit nose, supple and elegant. On the palate these attractive black fruits are very upfront and the tannins create texture that is very warming and soft. The finish is long and very persistent. A very complete 2nd wine.

Drink from 2018. Genesis score 16.5+.

**Château Le Moulin**

£400-600

80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc.

Very easy on the nose, round ripe red fruits with perfumed notes of violet too. The palate is full-bodied and round with light toasted tannins. The texture is mouth-warming and very inviting. The acidity comes through more on the finish helping balance the wealth of fruit and create a lasting experience. Very good.

Drink from 2019. Genesis score 17+.

**Château Moulinet**

£195-275

90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc.

Very perfumed on the nose, floral notes of violet and cassis with a little reduction. Very fresh and juicy on the palate with red and black fruits in abundance – more dark plum and blackberry. The tannins are ripe and unforced. There is good acidity and lasting fruit. The finish is persistent with the fruit on show.

Drink from 2020 Genesis score 16+.

**Château Nenin**

£430-575

Lovely black fruits on the nose with some oak evident. The palate is rich on the back palate, full-bodied with toasty tannins.

With wonderful purity and great structure, a little spice comes through with seasoned oak. A long vibrant finish with some warmth too.

Drink from 2018. Genesis score 16.5+.

**Château Petit Village**

£425-550

75% Merlot, 18% Cabernet Franc and 7% Cabernet Sauvignon.

Spice notes come forward on the nose followed by uber-ripe cherry and raspberry fruits – very fragrant on the finish. Medium to full-bodied in style, the palate is full with red and black fruits, a hint of ginger, some cinnamon spice and a little oak. The mouth feel is velvety, soft and round with a fruit focused, long, and persistent finish.

Drink from 2021. Genesis score 17+.

**Vieux Château Certan**

£1800-2700

Lifted bouquet of black plum, cherry, blackberry and currant - some lifted spice with notes of liquorice and a little mint too.

Glorious! Lovely concentration and purity, so voluptuous and so round. Lots of vibrant red fruits on the palate with a touch of white pepper. The tannins are firm giving the wine structure and depth, but not over the top. A profound VCC with a pure finish that goes on and on.

Drink from 2025. Genesis score 18.5+.

## Sauternes

**Château Coutet**

£375-625

Very marmalade nose with a hint of straw. Herbaceous tones intermingle with sweet pear and apple aromas. On the palate, sugared rhubarb and a touch lemon zest prevail over more fruit driven tones. Fresh and opulent with good persistence and length. This is excellent. A huge Coutet.

Drink from 2015. Genesis score 18.

**Château La Tour Blanche**

£350-550

Fresher on the nose than the Coutet, high tones of meringue, bright orange zest and a touch apricot. The acidity is excellent too, good tension, with a dash of lime freshness. Polar opposite to the Coutet, fabulous length on the finish with sweet fruits that linger.

Drink from 2017. Genesis score 18.

**Château Suduiraut**

£450-650

Very rich and bold in style with plenty of sweet pineapple and apricot fruits. Amazing freshness and vibrant acidity given the amount of sugar the wine holds. White peach and lemon meringue flavours on the palate brushed with some lime zest create such a fulfilling feeling. Excellent length with an everlasting finish.

Drink from 2017. Genesis score 18.+

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