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Château Clarke and Château des Laurets, Baron Edmond, Selection Parcellaire: excellence reunited for the holiday season

Edmond de Rothschild Heritage has selected two red wines from the Bordeaux region – one right bank and one left – which perfectly embody the art of living ‘à la française’ and epitomise the elegance of Grands Vins.

CHÂTEAU CLARKE 2016: AN ORIGINAL MEDOC CHARACTER

In the heart of the Médoc peninsula, the 150 hectare property – including 55 hectares of contiguous land – **enjoys an intimate, secluded spot, nestled between forests, vineyards and gardens.** Château Clarke owes its uniqueness to its complex terroir, situated on clay-limestone hilltops where a predominance of merlots flourish and gravel-sandy soils that promote cabernets sauvignons.



Château Clarke 2016 is the first vintage created by Technical Director Fabrice Darmaillacq, in collaboration with consultant oenologist Eric Boissenot, and marks a real moment in the evolution of the estate's style of wine.

A blend of 70% merlot and 30% cabernet sauvignon, the 2016 has a glorious purple hue tinged with a blue-violet border. The extremely complex nose presents **subtly roasted notes with sappy cedar aromas mingled with notes of blackcurrant and cherry.** On the palate, the bold, precise attack unveils delicate, velvety tannins. The whole is dense and rich, enhanced by magnificent freshness through to the long, delightful finish.

Château Clarke 2016 would make the perfect accompaniment to a confit shoulder of lamb, or a simple Edmond de Rothschild Heritage wild boar and truffle terrine.



CHATEAU DES LAURETS BARON EDMOND SELECTION PARCELLAIRE 2016: QUINTESSENTIAL

Elaborated from just 4 out of 40 hectares of vines, this precious cuvée unites the oldest merlot plots on the estate, with an average age of 70 years. **The berries are harvested by hand and vinification carried out in wooden vats to preserve the brightness, aromatic freshness and elegance of the fruit before ageing in French oak barrels.**

This single-varietal cuvée was a gauntlet thrown down by Benjamin de Rothschild in 2004, a year after purchasing Château des Laurets. It only exists in exceptional years, like the 2016 vintage. For this reason, this Selection Parcelle is to be considered the very quintessence of Château des Laurets.

It is a cuvée wonderfully dark in colour, almost black. The nose releases lightly toasted notes of fresh wood with black cherries, a mark of the exceptional maturity of this vintage.

On the palate, it is powerful and full of supple, fine and silky tannins. Tasting **offers an explosion of ripe fresh fruits such as lightly stewed black cherries and blueberries.** The whole is underlined by a restrained woodiness with a subtle liquorice redolence. The finish is long and persistent.

This is the perfect wine to enjoy alongside matured red meats or with cheese like the Edmond de Rothschild family's Brie with Périgord truffle or even an indulgent chocolate dessert.

About Château Clarke

Château Clarke takes its name from the Irish family who bought this large estate in 1771. After more than two centuries of winegrowing tradition and successive owners, the property was purchased by Baron Edmond de Rothschild in 1973. The vineyard was completely restructured, and massive investments were undertaken in order to renovate buildings and improve winemaking and storage facilities. Nowadays, the vineyard covers 55ha of limestone and clay rises, an ideal terroir to express Merlot, the predominant grape variety (a rarity in the Médoc).

With a passion for excellence and the best things in life, the Baron made Clarke a benchmark for the whole region.

About Château des Laurets

The vines of Château des Laurets are spread over two neighbouring appellations : Montagne Saint-Emilion and Puisseguin Saint-Emilion. Built circa 1860, the château features an octagonal tower overlooking the grounds. The vineyards are planted on south-facing slopes with limestone outcrops. The excellent clay-limestone soil gives this Merlot-based Saint-Emilion wine its distinctive taste. Baron Benjamin de Rothschild acquired this superb property in 2003, aiming from the beginning to achieve its fine potential.

About Edmond de Rothschild Heritage

Edmond de Rothschild Heritage is constantly investing in its family heritage, expanding it through a self-appointed mission to awaken the senses as well as educate the conscience.

The brand returns exceptional products and places to greatness, with a focus on three main areas: Wines, Hospitality & Nature.

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