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Chateau des Landes Cuvee Prestige 2016

AOC Lussac



Earl des Vignobles du Chateau des Landes, Bordeaux, France

LCBO # 363101 | 14.5% alc./vol. | \$28.95 | Release: 16-Jul-2022

"A powerful, juicy red-fruit-flavoured wine, this is dense and concentrated. The tannins are still young and right up front, competing with the blackcurrant fruits. Wait to drink this rich wine until 2021." Score – 90p. (Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast, 2019)

"A selection of 100% Merlot aged 16 months in new French oak, the smaller production 2016 Chateau des Landes Cuvée Prestige is a solid step up from the Cuvée Tradition and offers medium to full-bodied richness as well as fabulous notes of crème de cassis, spice, tobacco, and subtle earthy characteristics. It has notable purity and freshness, fine tannins, and shows the style of the vintage beautifully. Drink it any time over the coming decade." Score – 91+p. (Jeb Dunnuck, 2019)



"Cuvée Prestige" is in fact Vieilles Vignes and crafted from select Merlot grapes grown on the 50 y.o. vines in the best parts of the vineyard. Terroir:

Founded in 1952 family vineyard Chateau Les Landes is located in the heart of **Pauillac** - **Lussac-Saint-Emilion** appellation. Due to its almost perfect terroir Chateau classified as **"Cru Bourgeois"**. 32 hectares of vineyards. Gravel and crushed stone soil. **Vinification**:

Long malolactic fermentation 40-50 days in stainless steel vats with final maceration at 30°C. Batonnage after fermentation. Aged 12-18 month in French oak.

Variety: Merlot 100%

Residual sugar: 3 g/L

Serving suggestion and food pairing: Decant and Serve at 16°C. Perfect match to grilled chops - veal, pork or lamb - especially with herbs such as thyme, rosemary and oregano.

Wine Enthusiast (16&15vntg)	90p & 91p
Jeb Dunnuck (16&15vntg)	91+p & 92p
Concours Général Agricole de Paris (15vntg)	GOLD
Concours de Bordeaux (15vntg)	GOLD
Challenge International du Vin (15vntg)	GOLD
Macon (15vntg)	GOLD

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CANADIAN ACCOLADES

Natalie MacLean '20	On 2015 vintage: A full-bodied 100% Old Vines Merlot sourced from the Lussac-Saint-Émilion appellation. Chateau des Landes Cuvée Prestige is toasty on the palate with blackberry, dark plum, anise and sweet dried tobacco leaf flavours on the palate. Juicy, smooth and sensuous on the palate. Nice now, but can easily cellar for eight years or more. Food pairings: Tourtière, roast beef, turkey. Score – 90p. www.nataliemaclean.com
Natalie MacLean '18	On 2014 vintage: From Lussac-Saint-Émilion in the Bordeaux wine region, Chateau Des Landes Cuvee Prestige (2014) is a full-bodied red from old vinesThe nose is rich red berries, dark cherries, blackberry and spice, but the wine could cellar for about five years to show its best on the palate. A full-bodied red wine with grippy tannins and aromas and flavours along with smoky black fruit. Decant 2 hours. This is an AC wine. Food pairings: Tourtière, roast beef, turkey. Score – 90p. www.nataliemaclean.com
Tony Aspler '18	On 2014 vintage: Extremely deep intense purple colour. Youthful, spicy, ripe plum nose with lots of cedary notes. Dry, medium-full bodied, quite well structured, harmonious, very slightly spicy, ripe plum flavours with a lingering, crisp, high acid, rather cedary finishTry with a rare rib steak! Score – 89+p. vintageassessments.com
Michael Vaughan '18	On 2014 vintage: Cedary, blackcurrant and plum nose; medium-bodied, dry, well-extracted black fruit flavours with savoury, dark chocolate notes and grainy tannins on the finish. Score – Excellent & Best Buy. vintageassessments.com
David Lawrason '17	On 2012 vintage: Here's a look at a seriously good Bordeaux value, thanks to great winegrowing in a region that is off the power grid. Made from 50 year old merlot vines on a property northeast of St. Emilion, this is showing a generous nose of sweet berry jam, fig, maturing leather, spice and vague herbal notes. This is really refined, with some minerality on the finish. Classic right bank, all from a "lighter, less good vintage" Best now to 2020. Tasted April 2017. Score – 91p. www.winealign.com