



Château Lamartine 2016 Castillon-Cotes de Bordeaux AOC

SAS Maison Lamartine, Bordeaux, France

LCBO # 368159 | 14.0% alc./vol. | \$15.95 | Release: 06-Jul-2019

Let yourself be seduced by the balance and softness. The nose is spicy with white pepper notes. Aromas of red fruits are very pronounced. The palate is flexible and complex. Drink soon to enjoy its freshness or cellar for complexity.

"...Green aromas and flavours of lacquered wood, grilled fennel, green bell pepper, and ground black pepper with a chewy, dry medium-full body and a brisk finish evoking notes of ink with firm tannins and moderate oak flavour..." (Tastings.com, 2018)

Terroir:

Located in the heart of the Bordeaux appellation, Chateau Lamartine is a family property managed with passion since 1977 by Gourraud family, winemakers for 3 generations. They produce Bordeaux wines typical of the Castillon region (near Saint Emilion). Since 1990, Jerome Gourraud took over and managed the family estate called Lamartine, where the famous poet Alphonse de Lamartine, one of the greatest figures of romanticism in France, stayed.



Vinification:

Careful harvesting and sorting, then maceration for 3 weeks and cold pre-fermentation at controlled temperature. Aging in concrete tanks for 18 months before bottling.

Variety: Merlot 85%, Cabernet Sauvignon 15%

Residual sugar: 7 g/L

Serving suggestion and food pairing: Decant ~1 hour and serve at 17°C with red grilled meat and veggies or delicious soft cheese. You can enjoy it now or leave it two or three years at the heart of a good cellar to age.

**Concours De Bordeaux
Tastings.com
Natalie MacLean'19**

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SILVER Highly Recommended
88 points & "Best Value"**



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CHÂTEAU LAMARTINE 2014
AC Castillon Côtes de Bordeaux
(Gourraud et Fils, Prop.)

TASTING NOTE: The clay soils of Castillon make it ideal Merlot country, and nearly 80% of the vines planted here are Merlot. The wines are typically round and supple. The 2014 Château Lamartine, a blend of 85% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon and 5% Cabernet Franc, is a young, juicy wine with excellent ripe fruit supported by vanilla tones. This is a fine example of the balance and precision to be found in Bordeaux's entry-level-priced wines. (VINTAGES panel, Sept. 2015)

Full-bodied & Smooth
368159 (XD) 750 mL \$15.95

CHÂTEAU HAUT-CANTELOUP 2010
AC Médoc

TASTING NOTE: Château Haut-Canteloup encompasses 35 ha of vineyards in the esteemed Médoc area of Bordeaux. These are wines that are typically quite structured when young, and this example from the lauded 2010 vintage has a solid tannic backbone. Good depth with complex black fruit and cassis notes. Enjoy with lamb, one of Bordeaux's classic pairings. (VINTAGES panel, March 2016)

Full-bodied & Smooth
466565 (XD) 750 mL \$17.95
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CHÂTEAU DU BOIS CHANTANT
CUVÉE LAURENCE H. 2012
AP Bordeaux Supérieur

TASTING NOTE: This complex, ripe wine balances firm wood aging with dark fruit. It's full in the mouth, juicy and with plenty of potential. Solid tannins and rich berry flavors are coming together. Wait until 2017. Best Buy. Score: 90 (Roger Voss, *Wine Enthusiast*, Feb. 2015)

Full-bodied & Firm
421206 (XD) 750 mL \$18.95
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