



DOMAINE DU GRAND ORMEAU 2019 AOC Lalande de Pomerol



SCEA Vignobles JP Garde, Nouvelle Aquitaine, France

eCommerce # 421577 | 14.0% alc./vol. | \$33.95

*"Forty-year-old vines and wood aging have produced a polished, ripe wine. A blend of 80% Merlot with the two Cabernets, this wine is balanced, dense and packed with black fruits. Drink from 2025." **Score – 90p (Wine Enthusiast)***

*"Relaxed, fruity nose without too much interference in the winery." **Score –15.5p (Jancis Robinson)***

Terroir:

Family estate Vignobles JP Garde started in the mid-19th century. 30ha of vineyard across 3 appellations: Merlot 70%, Cabernet Franc 23%, and Cabernet-Sauvignon 7%. This historical wine and estate name "Domaine du Grand Ormeau" (tall elm) likely was inspired by mighty ancient elms on the estate.

Average age of the vines 40 y.o. Soil is clay & gravel (Néac) and deep gravels (Lalande-de-Pomerol). Tillage of the soil and grass cover every other row.

Certified Sustainable HVE 3 level since the 2018 vintage.

"Level 3 is the highest level... HVE (high environmental value) for the entire farm operation. It includes performance requirements measured either by composite indicators, or by global indicators corresponding to the four themes... validated by an external audit after 3 years of operating at Level 2." <https://discoversustainablewine.com/france/>



Vinification:

Fermentation in temperature-controlled stainless steel vats. Aging partly in oak barrels.

Varieties: Merlot 80%, Cabernet Franc 10%, Cabernet-Sauvignon 10%

Residual Sugar: 1 g/L

Serving suggestion and food pairing: Serve at 16°C. Perfect accompaniment for roasted or grilled meats.

Wine Enthusiast

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David Lawrason, John Szabo, Michael Godel, Wine Align

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<p>David Lawrason '22</p>	<p>This is a fairly deeply coloured, ripe and soft merlot-based red with the kind of lushness I expect from the Pomerol neighbourhood. Think of Lalonde as a suburb of Pomerol. The nose is generous and quite rich with florals, blackberry jam, plum, vanillin and gentle herbality. Quite full, smooth and dense on the palate with some excess alcohol heat and fine tannin. Tannins are a bit stern for now but give this three years. Excellent length. Tasted March 2022. Score – 91p. www.winealign.com</p>
<p>John Szabo '22</p>	<p>Substantial and structured, merlot-dominated right bank red Bordeaux here with cabernet sauvignon and franc completing the assemblage. Fruit is dark and plummy, ripe to be sure, framed by sweet oak spice that should continue to meld into the ensemble - cellar at least another 2-3 years, or hold into the latter part of the decade. The palate is still quite rough-and-tumble, tannins grainy and firm, and acids ever-present so patience required. Should evolve nicely. Tasted March 2022. Score – 90p. www.winealign.com</p>
<p>Michael Godel '22</p>	<p>Next level fruit body, substance and especially texture is noted in this Right Bank beauty by Domaine Du Brand Ormeau. Beautifully representative of the satellite Lalande De Pomerol, of strength in structure but without having to wait ten years to really enjoy the ride. The tannins are a bit stringent this early on though should relent in three to five years. Solid example all the way through. Drink 2024-2028. Tasted March 2022. Score – 90p. www.winealign.com</p>