

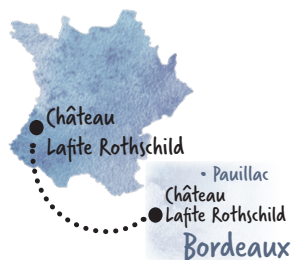


DOMAINES BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD LAFITE

CHÂTEAU

LAFITE ROTHSCHILD

BORDEAUX (PAUILLAC), FRANCE

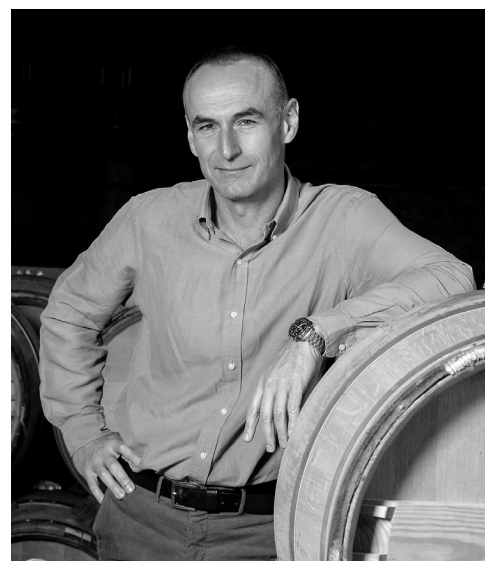


Château Lafite Rothschild, owned by the Rothschild family for five generations, was acquired by Baron James de Rothschild in 1868. The existence of Lafite as a medieval fief dates back to the 14th century; at the beginning of the 18th century Lafite's wine was already being sold in London, where it was a favorite of the

Prime Minister, Robert Walpole. In France, Lafite soon became known as the "King's wine", after being introduced to the Court at Versailles by Maréchal Richelieu. The classification of the Grands Crus Classés, prepared on the occasion of the 1855 Universal Exhibition in Paris, officially ranked Château Lafite Rothschild as the "Premier des Premiers". The 276 acre vineyard consists of three main areas: the slopes around the Château, the adjacent Carruades plateau to the west and a 12 acre plot in the neighboring commune of Saint Estèphe. The vines are planted in well-drained and well-exposed soil made up of fine, deep gravel, mixed with aeolian sand on a subsoil of tertiary limestone. The grape varieties are Cabernet Sauvignon (70%), Merlot (25%), Cabernet Franc (3%) and Petit Verdot (2%). The average age of the vines is 45 years for the Grand Vin; the oldest plot, "La Gravière", was planted in 1886.

"I have discovered the wine of Château Lafite to be a delicious, generous cordial, comparable to the ambrosia of the Gods of Olympus."

– Baron Eric de Rothschild



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Château Lafite Rothschild, 1er Cru Classé
Carruades de Lafite
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Bordeaux (Pauillac), France

- Château Lafite Rothschild is one of only five classified first growths and thus the designation as 1er Cru Classé
- The vintage rankings of the Universal Paris Exposition in 1855 officially gave Lafite the rating as "Leader among fine wines"
- The average age of the vines is 35 years but those that produce the Grand Vin selection are 45 years or older; The oldest plot, "La Gravière," was planted in 1886
- Aged 20 months in new barrels crafted by the the Tonnellerie des Domaines in Pauillac



CHÂTEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD CARRUADES DE LAFITE

Bordeaux (Pauillac), France

- Features characteristics similar to the esteemed Château Lafite Rothschild, but with its own personality linked to a higher percentage of Merlot in its composition, and plots of land that are clearly identified as producing Carruades
- The origin of the name comes from the Carruades plateau, the name of a group of plots adjacent to the chateau's best vineyards, purchased in 1845 by Château Lafite
- The name Carruades was adopted as the name of Château Lafite Rothschild's second wine, which was called "Moulin des Carruades" prior to the 1980's



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CHÂTEAU LAFITE ROTHSCHILD ANSEILLAN

Bordeaux (Pauillac), France

- 48% Merlot, 39% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Petit Verdot
- The village of Anseillon lies to the east of Lafite Rothschild, between the Château and the Gironde; This area presents a wide variety of terroirs with northern exposure and more clayey soils than Lafite's classic terroirs
- This wine is made according to the traditional Bordeaux method; Alcoholic fermentation is conducted in wooden, concrete and stainless steel vats
- Aged for ~16 months. in French oak barrels made by the Tonnelleries des Domaines in Pauillac
- Expressive, notes of cherries; Smoky notes of the barrel ageing can be distinguished, then spices from the Petit-Verdot
- Well-balanced on the palate; Merlot provides volume while the Cabernet Sauvignon brings great structure and freshness



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