

DOMAINES BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD LAFITE

LES LÉGENDES

BORDEAUX ROUGE 2020

BACKGROUND

The Rothschild family has been producing wine in Bordeaux since 1868. For six generations, they got to know this beautiful landscape and understand the unique traits of the vines from each appellation. Three decades ago, the family was inspired to create a new wine series, where each wine would be the epitome of the appellation it came from. Their motivation was simple: to ensure wine lovers everywhere could dive into Bordeaux and taste the originality of each appellation. And so, the *Les Légendes* range was born.

The production of *Les Légendes* wines is supervised by our oenologist, Diane Flamand. The new *Les Légendes* range has greatly benefited from Diane's ambition to create long term partnerships with vineyard growers around each appellation. Domaines Barons de Rothschild Lafite has made excellence in wine-making practices the basis of its development. Diane creates wines following the same approach: passion, discipline, humility, excellence and harmony.

For over 150 years, our master winemakers have been crafting the finest Bordeaux wines. Generations of local knowledge have taught our grape growers the secrets of the landscape that create the most outstanding Bordeaux Rouge. Nestled between the Garonne and the Dordogne River lies the Entre-Deux-Mers. This hilly region boasts a variety of soils, giving a great diversity of terroirs that are perfectly suited to our grapes. This unique landscape is what creates the harmonious blend of flavors bursting from our Bordeaux Rouge.

APPELLATION

Bordeaux, France

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 50% Merlot

TERROIR & VINTAGE NOTES

Les Légendes Bordeaux rouge comes from the Entre-deux-Mers region. The vineyard rests on the hillsides located between the two rivers South East of Bordeaux: the Dordogne and the Garonne. This vast territory offers an interesting diversity of terroirs and soils, ranging from chalky-clay plots well suited for Merlot, to well-exposed gravelous slopes perfect for Cabernet Sauvignon.

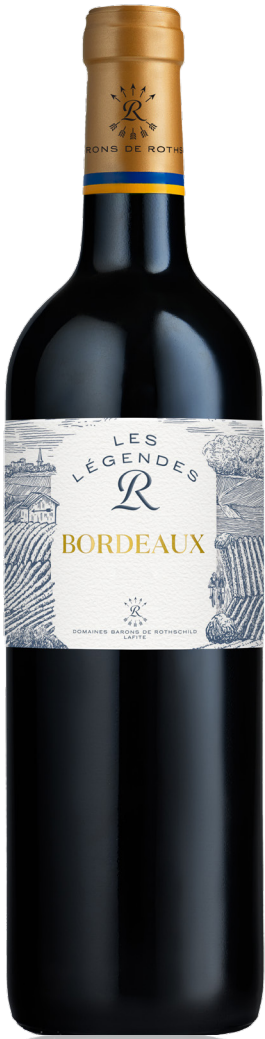
Weather for the 2020 vintage was capricious, with a very mild winter encouraging an early bud break. The spring was very wet and rainy, causing coulure in some grape varieties and a significant threat of downy mildew. During the summer, a heat wave checked the grapes' ripening, particularly on the left bank with its gravelly, permeable soil. The right bank fared better with its more clayey soil that retains moisture. The harvests in 2020 were historically early.

WINEMAKING & AGEING

This wine is made according to traditional methods in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks. Alcoholic fermentation (82 °F) was followed by 15 days of maceration, in order to obtain a good concentration of oak (30% of the final blend). This wine is subtly oaked, in order to keep a good balance between the fruit and the wood.

TASTING NOTES

Beautiful color, with dark glints. The nose is fruity, with aromas of dark berries (blackberries, blackcurrants) and Morello cherries. The palate is dense, harmonious and balanced with a very aromatic finish (notes of liquorice and candied liquorice).



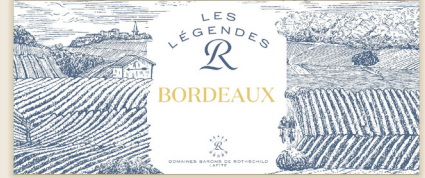
WINEMAKER

Diane Flamand

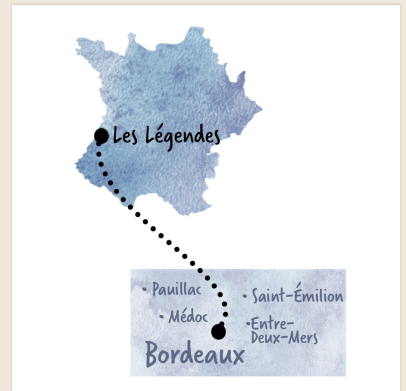
TECHNICAL DATA

Acidity
3.20 g/L - pH: 3.46

Alcohol
13.0%



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