



DOMAINES BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD (LAFITE)

L'ÉGÈNDE

BORDEAUX ROUGE 2016

BACKGROUND

The prestigious Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) family has owned vineyards in Bordeaux for generations. In addition to the wines issued from their world renowned vineyards, Domains Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) has been elaborating a range of wines which are easy and pleasant to drink called "L'Égènde". Inspired by a grand tradition of quality, the Domains teams have one priority: selection. Their mastery and perfect knowledge of Bordelais cépages are responsible for the unparalleled quality of their wines.

APPELLATION

Bordeaux, France

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot

TERROIR & VINTAGE NOTES

2016 was a remarkable vintage in the Bordeaux region, reminiscent of the legendary 1990 in terms of both quantity and quality. It was a fairly challenging year for winegrowers, with a very wet start to the growth cycle (more than 31 inches of rain over the first six months of the year), a very dry period from July 1st to September 13th, and finally localized thunderstorms and a beautiful Indian summer that enabled the grapes to reach optimal ripeness. Harvest was from September 9th through 28th. The red wines are rich, smooth and fruity, with tannins of a rarely obtained maturity and very deep colors.

WINEMAKING

Vinification was carried out in the traditional method and with thermovinification (50% of the batches). The selected plots were vinified separately in stainless steel vats, after being de-stemmed and crushed. This was followed by alcoholic fermentation under temperature control and maceration over the course of 2 weeks.

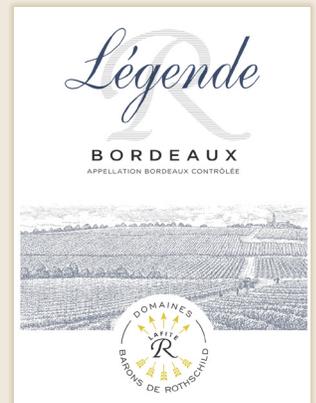
AGEING

The majority of ageing took place in stainless steel vats with 40% of the blended wines in oak. Fining with egg whites and cold stabilization were conducted before bottling the wine. Continual controls (sensory, microbiological and chemical) were carried out throughout the wine making stages.

TASTING NOTES

Deep crimson color. Intense and very expressive nose, dominated by fresh fruit aromas (red currant, raspberry) blended with discreet notes of oak. On the palate, structured, round and easy, nicely oaked with firm but silky tannins and a long, fresh and fruity finish.

L'Égènde



"L'Égènde wines are very aromatic. They are like characters with different personalities and I hope you will enjoy meeting them as I enjoy making them."

That is the magic of Bordeaux."

– Diane Flamand, Winemaker
Domains Barons de Rothschild (Lafite)

WINEMAKER

Diane Flamand

TECHNICAL DATA

Acidity
3.37 g/L - pH: 3.27

Alcohol
12.5%

Residual Sugar
<2 g/L



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