



WINEMAKER

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TECHNICAL DATA

Acidity
3.8 g/L - pH: 3.15
Alcohol
12%

DOMAINES BARONS DE ROTHSCHILD (LAFITE)

CHÂTEAU RIEUSSEC

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BACKGROUND

Classified as a First Growth in 1855. Rieussec is one of the biggest estates of Sauternes with 227 acres of vines, situated on the "communes" of Sauternes and Fargues, high above the Garonne River, in a small area where the cold Autumn dawns help form the famous mist. It is this mist which many believe plays a major role in the development of botrytis cinerea (noble rot). Château Rieussec is located in Fargues (adjacent to Château d'Yquem).

In the 18th century, the Rieussec estate belonged to the Carmes de Langon monks. Sold as a "national inheritance" after the French Revolution, Rieussec experienced several changes of owners before being acquired by Domaines Barons de Rothschild (Lafite) in 1984. Since then, meticulous plot selection and important innovative methods have been used in the cellars to enhance quality.

APPELLATION

Sauternes (Bordeaux), France

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

54% Sémillon, 46% Sauvignon Blanc

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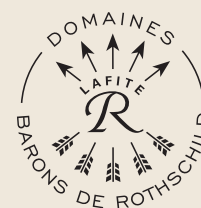
After the harvest, alcoholic fermentation was carried out in barrels (50%) and vats (50%) for two weeks.

AGEING

Ageing lasted for 5 months in barrels on the lees with stirring.

TASTING NOTES

Beautiful pale yellow color with glints of green. The nose presents tremendous aromatic intensity. Exotic fruit predominates over the citrus notes. The oak from the barrel-ageing is well integrated. The palate presents superb freshness. The wine has lots of volume but remains lively thanks to its acidity. Fresh pear and notes of white flowers. Overall, the palate is characterized by length, balance and harmony, and a long aftertaste.



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