

## LA TERRASSE DE LA GARDE RED 2019 Pessac-Léognan

La Terrasse de La Garde is the second red wine of Château La Garde, Pessac-Léognan. The result of extensive research into the terroir and of all the renovations carried out in the vineyard and winery, this wine displays a delicate balance of intensity and softness. Its fruit-driven elegance makes this ideally appreciated in its youth.

Grape: 92% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3 Petit Verdot

**Vineyard & Vinification Note:** 

**Vineyard surface :** 54 Ha (4 Ha of which are white)

**Soils:** A rich diversity of soils. Stony outcrops and calcareous clay soils.

**Harvest:** Plot by plot. Optical sorting.

**Vinification:** Cold maceration. Small stainless-steel vats with temperature

control.

**Ageing:** 12 months on fine lees.

**Tasting Note:** "Bright ruby red. Impressive Merlot freshness on the nose, characterised by succulent aromas of redcurrants and cassis, underpinned by a delicate touch of smoke. Full-flavoured on the palate, with impressive density and power. The wine culminates in a generous finish, again enhanced by an appealing subtle smoky underlayer." **Frédéric Bonnaffous, Dourthe Estates Director** 

**James Suckling:** Very soft with a berry and chocolate character and hints of spiciness. Delicious now. Medium-bodied with round tannins and a creamy finish. Crisp acidity comes through at the end. Mostly merlot. Second wine of Chateau La Garde. Drink or hold. **91 Points, February 2022** 

**Decanter Magazine:** Expressive nose of truffle, smoke, dark chocolate and other savoury elements. This has a juicy charm and is easy to drink with its chalky palate, texture and fine but supportive tannins. 60ha property which features all the soils of Bordeaux. Drinking Window 2022 – 2033. **91 Points, Georgie Hindle, January 2022** 

Food Pairing: Very good match with game, red and white meat, cheese.



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