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Château de Lagarde « Grand Millésime » AOC Bordeaux Supérieur 2009

Winemaker: Lionel Raymond, Saint Laurent du Bois, France
Appellation: AOC Bordeaux Supérieur
Varietals: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc
Vineyard: Situated in Saint Laurent du Bois

Production Area: 38 hectares. A mild climate (due to the Atlantic Ocean). Lots of sunshine, and regular rain, the hillside and the clay-limestone soil, gravels offer the best conditions for the growth of the vines and the grapes.

Yield per vine & Hectare: 45 hl/ ha.

Training system: The vineyard is held up by Guyot double (Bordeaux style) to obtain the best maturity and also to avoid phytosanitary disease. The vine is held up by wires.

Vinification: In stainless-steel thermo-regulated vats with cap-breaking system. Long maceration about 2 to 3 weeks, subject to the extraction of the tannins.

Analytical Data: 13% alc/ vol

Ageing: for about 18 months in 30% new 225 liters French oak barrels.

Tasting Notes: Beautiful intense and deep color. Almost black with garnet tints. The nose opens up to ripped fruits. Intense grilled and torrefied notes due to the ageing in new oak are then relayed by sweet spicy scents. A heavier overtone, gravy, signature of the ripped merlot. Fragrant black cherry, and strawberry jam, reveals the maturity of the grape. Sharp and generous, the fruity/ woody balance is well measured. Pleasant evolution, with great tannic sapidity.

Color: Deep garnet red with purple highlights.

Aroma: Ripped fruits (Blackberry, blackcurrant) with spicy scents (Cinnamon, Liquorice)

Conservation Time: Good ageing potential (5 to 10 years)

Notes/ Certification/ Awards:

Only Indigenous yeasts used. Suitable for vegans.
Certified Organic by Qualité France and USDA NOP (National Organic Program) IMO, Switzerland.
Award: One Star Guide Hachette 2009

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