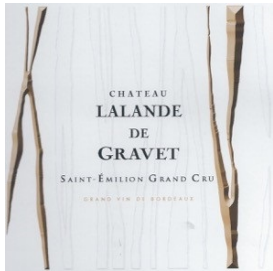


# CHÂTEAU LALANDE DE GRAVET

Saint Émilion Grand Cru 2018

Single Vineyard - GPS 44.871118, -0.184493



## ORIGIN

Bordeaux

## APPELLATION

Saint-Emilion Grand Cru

## VINEYARD

5.7 hectares of estate vineyards, sustainably farmed on gravel-laden clay soils. Vines are 45+ Years old.

## BLEND

65% Merlot;  
20% Cabernet Franc;  
15% Cabernet Sauvignon

## FARMING

Sustainably farmed

## WINEMAKING

Malolactic fermentation is done in concrete tanks. Alliers Barrels are used to age the wine for 12 months.

## TECHINCAL INFORMATION

13.5% Alc. |

Chateau Lalande de Gravet is 65% Merlot which gives the wine layers of fruit, spice, tobacco and minerality. The 20% Cabernet Franc adds a savory character as well as acidity. The Cabernet Sauvignon, at 15%, adds concentration, tannins and longevity to the wine. The result is a wine that is layered with flavor and concentration.

The 2018 growing season had a challenging start. In its first half the region was met with incredibly wet conditions which led to a massive, regional attack of mildew. However, from mid-July through the harvest, the vineyards bathed in hot, sunny weather. This gave winemakers to pick their fruits whenever they felt like the fruits had achieved their expectation. Later picked fruit created more tannic, richer wines, while the earlier fruits created fresher, and slightly lighter cuvées. This vintage is full of diverse character and style yet doesn't stray from the idea of quality one bit. This year produced excellent wines "from the simplest Bordeaux to the great names. This is a sign of an exceptional year." (James Suckling)

The vineyards are planted with Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon and are sustainably farmed. When the vines are at perfect ripeness, the grapes are harvested by plots. After fermentation in stainless steel tanks the wine is aged in Alliers oak barrels for 12 months year.

Chateau Lalande de Gravet is a parcel of vines just under six hectares with vines over 45 years old. It is ideally located at the foot of the Saint-Émilion hill on predominately sandy gravel with clay soils. This soil type is rich in minerals and nutrients which results in a more fully-developed profile in the wine.

## ACCOLADES

**This vintage has not yet been rated.**

