

# CHÂTEAU VIEUX CARDINAL LAFAURIE

*Lalande-de-Pomerol*

2010

This Château is an invitation to travel through time. In the 12th century, the Knights of Saint John of Jerusalem established a hospice here to care for crusaders and pilgrims. Cabernet Franc vines were planted on the estate to provide wine for mass. Time is still a willing accomplice today, allowing the wine to fully develop elegance and body.

## THE VINEYARD

**Location** : Néac / Lalande de Pomerol

**Terroirs** : Clay (15%), silt (25%), Sand (60%) and gravely sub-soil with iron-rich concretions.

**Surface area** : 6 hectares

**Planting density** : 5000 - 6000 Vine / ha

**Yield** : 42,5 hl / ha

**Grape varieties** : Cabernet-Franc, Cabernet-Sauvignon, Merlot

**Average age of the vine** : 1 plot over 50 years old and two plots of fallow land to be planted in 2013. 30 years



## THE WINE

### Blend

65% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Franc, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon.

### Vinification

Traditional vats stainless steel thermo regulated, with 2 to 3 weeks maceration

### Ageing

Ageing in French oakbarrels for 12 months (50% new barrels)

### Ageing potential

Ready to drink now, this wine will reach its full potential around 2019-2020

### Tasting

A superb, intense ruby colour. A rich and subtle nose where the touches of soft fruit intermingle with aromas of toast and burnt wood. The initial supple and soft taste with full-bodied, fine tannins blossoms into maturity and harmony. A full-bodied finish, enhanced by the toasted flavour from the barrel.

### Food pairing

Enjoy with red and white meat, wildfowl and also with cheese.



Our Chateaux

## AWARDS

- Gold Berliner Wein Trophy 2014
- Commended Decanter World Wine Awards 2014
- 88pts Wine spectator 2013

