



CHATEAU
LYNCH  BAGES

ECHO DE LYNCH-BAGES

APPELLATION
Pauillac

CLASSIFICATION
2nd wine of Château Lynch-Bages

VINTAGE
2020

OWNER
CAZES family



Surface: 109 hectares

« **Terroir** » (soil): Garonne Gravel

Harvest: Hand-picked and sorted at the vineyard

Ageing: One-year-old barrels for 12 months

Blend: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot

Analyses: Acidity: 3.9 g/l of H₂SO₄; pH: 3.78; TPI: 80; Alcohol: 13.03% vol.

Fiat Lux!

2020 marks the beginning of a "new era" as this is the first vintage for the new winery at Lynch-Bages.

Winter 2019-2020 was marked by mild temperatures and heavy rain. After a particularly dry summer, the 525 mm of rain that fell between October and December 2019 replenished the soil's water reserves. The mild winter conditions caused an early - by about 15 days - and generally homogeneous bud break: on 20 March for the Merlot and 26 March for the Cabernet Sauvignon.

The first flowers appeared on around 10 May (almost fifteen days earlier than normal), with mid-flowering between 23 and 26 May depending on the grape variety. After a particularly rainy spell in early May, hot and dry weather conditions allowed perfect flowering over the space of ten days, suggesting a beautiful harvest. The rain dried up from 19 June and a gradual increase in temperatures completely transformed the moisture profile of the vintage. The dry, sunny weather and temperature ranges ensured optimal grape maturation.

Harvesting began on 14 September with the fully mature Merlot plants and continued over five days. It finished with the four plots of Cabernet Franc. The pickers then harvested the Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot over the space of nine days. Picking ended on 29 September.

Malolactic fermentation took place in the new malolactic fermentation cellar, two thirds in vats and one third in barrels. At the end of November, we began our first blends.

Echo de Lynch-Bages 2020 displays vibrant ruby purple in the glass with pure and lifted aromas of fresh redcurrant and raspberry. The palate unfolds with well-rounded tannins on a fresh and elegant finish (May 2021).