



WHITE

2020

Le Comte
de Malartic

BLEND

Sauvignon 70 %
Sémillon 30 %

DATES OF HARVEST

Sauvignon
August 25 to September 2
Sémillon
September 3 to 7

THE DOMAINE

Second label of the Château in Red and in White

Appellation Pessac-Léognan

Owner Bonnie Family

Total area (A.O.C.) 71 hectares (175 acres)

Total area in white 9 hectares (23 acres)

Geology Quaternary Günzian well-drained gravels
and clay gravels on shelly limestone and clay subsoil

Grape varieties 83% Sauvignon – 17% Sémillon

Density of plantation 10 000 plants / ha

Average age of the vineyard 28 years old

Vineyard Management Agroecology, plant cover,
minimal ploughing, with horses

Pruning method Double Guyot

TECHNICAL

Certifications Sustainable farming, High
Environmental Value certification 3 Opt A, ISO 14001
(EMS)

Harvest Manual harvest by successive passes

Vinification Inerted slow pressing, fermentation in
oak barrels

Yields 49.50 hl/ha

Ageing On lees, bâtonnage in French oak barrels,
22% new oak.

Ageing period : 12 month

œnologue Consultant Eric Boissenot



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THE VINTAGE

Great concentration with superb feshness

2020 was an early vintage, with exceptional weather conditions, characterized as much by high temperatures and periods of drought as by abundant rain and frost.

The spring was fairly cold and wet, and bud break was early. While March saw severe frosts, April brought high temperature spikes. A very sunny start to May was followed by heavy rain, but then we had a good 10-day window at Malartic during flowering, which was fast and uniform. After the fruit had set, the rain came back at the beginning of June, increasing the risk of mildew.

The weather changed mid-June to become dry and sunny, sometimes even scorchingly hot. Véraison was very early, ending at the beginning of August. After the extended dry period, the 50 mm of rain on 11 August were just what the vines needed. The harvests took place at a relaxed but steady pace, with exceptionally warm temperatures. They started with the white grapes on 25 August and finished on 24 September with the last Cabernet.

Precise monitoring of the vineyard and Malartic's dry, gravelly, well-drained soil enabled us to turn the various weather challenges to our advantage. The work in the winery begun in 2019 with Eric Boissenot has been successfully continued: minimal intervention to highlight the purity of the fruit, followed by meticulous care and precision in the work on each batch after fermentation.

The Malartic 2020s are characterized by excellent density; their concentration is balanced by a remarkable freshness. The tannins are very sleek and elegant in this particularly well-balanced vintage.

The whites present terrific aromatic purity, and really stand out: they are so precise, polished, round and fragrant.



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PRESS REVIEW

JamesSuckling.com – James Suckling – May 2021
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A fresh, clean white with some sliced lemon, green apple and crushed sea salt. Medium body. Vibrant finish. Drink now.

Alexandrema.com – Alexandre Ma – Bordeaux 2020 Tasting Report En Primeurs Pessac-Léognan – June 2021
90-92

The roundness and softness are very enjoyable, brimming with lovely floral honey and white apricot. A candy-like flavor extends along the palate, leaving an impressive watering mouth feeling.

Vinous – Antonio Galloni – 2020 Bordeaux en primeurs – June 2021
89-91

The Le Comte de Malartic-Lagravière Blanc is bright and finely cut, with terrific aromatic presence and tons of energy. Lime, white flowers, mint and crushed rocks confer energy. Bright saline notes punctuate the finish. This is a terrific second wine that balances texture with vibrancy. Tasted two times.

Robertparker.com – Lisa Perrotti-Brown – The 2020 Vintage – Mister in between – May 2021
88-90

This is the new name for the second wine of Malartic Lagravière. The 2020 Le Comte de Malartic Blanc blend is 70% Sauvignon Blanc and 30% Semillon, with an alcohol of 14%. It leaps from the glass with vibrant citrus notes of freshly squeezed lemon, lime zest and grapefruit oil, plus hints of wet pebbles, nutmeg and pear drops. The medium-bodied palate has a pleasant suggestion of oiliness to the texture with a lively backbone supporting the citrusy flavors, finishing with a spicy kick.

Le Point – Jacques Dupont et Olivier Bompas – Mai 2021
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Fruits exotiques, mangue, frais, agrumes, bouche onctueuse, fraîche, relevée. O : 2022 G : 4 ans

Vertdevin – Bordeaux en primeurs 2020 – Juin 2021
16.75 – 93-94

Le nez est fruité et offre une certaine puissance ainsi qu'un fin côté incisif. On y retrouve des notes de pêche charnue/juteuse, de mirabelle pulpeuse/juteuse et plus légèrement de brugnon juteux associées à de petites touches de citron/coing ainsi qu'à de fines pointes de fruits exotiques. La bouche est

fruitée, équilibrée et offre une trame juteuse/acidulée, de la tension, une fine droiture, de la fraîcheur ainsi qu'une structure un peu serrée. En bouche ce vin exprime des notes de quénette juteuse/pulpeuse, de pêche pulpeuse et plus légèrement de poire juteuse associées à des touches de coing, de kumquat ainsi qu'à de fines pointes de graves, à une discrète pointe de zestes, de fruits exotiques et à de très discrètes pointes de toasté. Bonne longueur

Yvesbeck.com – Yves Beck – Primeurs 2020 – Mai 2021
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Bouquet filigrane, invitant, marqué par de la fraîcheur et des notes fruitées. Attaque friande et juteuse. Bonne intensité fruitée, structure salivante. Un vin sapide et rafraîchissant. 2023-2030



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Le Monde Vivant du Vin - Alain Ségelle – Primeurs 2020 – Mai 2021

Jolie Robe à la fine teinte jaune d'or pâle – brillant, scintillant. Subtil Nez floral, fleuri, soupçon anisé, touches fraîches d'agrumes sur fondant mûr rappelant presque le melon. Fine limpidité. Bouche dotée d'une subtile attaque frêle, souriante, voulant jouer des plaisirs spontanés plus que de la ténacité / maturité d'un grand cru. Bouche amène & finement poli, pour flatter spontanément vos papilles d'un plaisir & sourire immédiat. Fines saveurs suaves, d'une jolie fraîcheur délicate, enrobée. Tout est bon pour un plaisir bistrannique.

quarin.com – Jean-Marc Quarin – Primeurs 2020 - Mai 2021

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Couleur pâle. Nez aromatique, fruité et légèrement anisé. Bouche savoureuse, au toucher caressant, évoluant légèrement boisée en finale et très agréable. Longueur moyenne.



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