

# CHÂTEAU LAGRANGE

## SAINT-JULIEN



Château Lagrange started out life as Maison Noble de Lagrange Monteil as far back as the middle ages. During the 18th century, the picturesque estate was the property of the Baron de Brane of Brane Cantenac and Brane Mouton. Like most Bordeaux vineyards, the property passed through numerous hands. In 1983, Lagrange were purchased by the large, Japanese company, Suntory.

Under the direction of Marcel Ducasse, the vineyard expanded from 48 planted hectares to 138 planted hectares. The vine density was also increased as more than 100,000 new vines were added to the vineyard. In 1985, they also began producing a second wine, Les Fief de Lagrange. Château Lagrange made extensive renovations in 2008, and modernized their entire wine making facilities and cellars in 2013. Matthieu Bordes became the winemaker that same year, shortly after Marcel Ducasse retired.

Vinification takes place in 98 temperature controlled, stainless steel vats that range in size allowing for parcel by parcel vinification. The vats range in size from 66 hectoliters to 220 hectoliters. The grapes are vinified using co-inoculation. The selection of the press wine is performed by adding it on a vat by vat basis. The wine is aged in 60% new, French oak barrels for up to 21 months before bottling.

Lagrange is one of the few Saint Julien properties to produce a white Bordeaux wine. They have 7 hectares of vines planted to 60% Sauvignon Blanc, 20% Semillon and 20% Sauvignon Gris. The white Lagrange is sold under the name of Les Arums de Lagrange.

**2016 Vintage:** “Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2016 Lagrange sashays out of the glass with notions of candied violets, cassis, underbrush and warm black plums with waves of Black Forest cake, cedar chest and yeast extract scents.

Medium to full-bodied, the bags of perfumed black fruits are solidly structured with super ripe, grainy tannins, finishing long and layered. “

**95 Points Wine Advocate / Lisa Perotti-Brown**

**95 Points Decanter, 95 Points Vinous, 95 Points James Suckling,  
94 Points Jeb Dunnock, 94 Points Wine Spectator, 91 Points Wine Enthusiast**



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