

## 2009 Château Lafleur, Pomerol

Château Lafleur, Bordeaux Wine Region, France

### Product details

<b>Vintage:</b>	2009	<b>Drinking:</b>	2018 2040
<b>Producer:</b>	Château Lafleur	<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.50%
<b>Region:</b>	Bordeaux Wine Region	<b>Variety:</b>	Bordeaux blend
<b>Country:</b>	France		

### Tasting notes

On the nose, the wine is unusually open and giving, engaging the taster immediately. However, rather than rushing out of the glass, this is a more measured introduction, luring you in. Notes of small black cherries, violets, graphite, spice and a little pepper introduce themselves one by one, all in perfect detail. On the palate, there is a gear change, a subtle flexing of the muscles that reminds you that this is a serious, long lived wine. Power and grace combine effortlessly in a flowing, captivating ensemble. The minerality and freshness of the finish as well as the fine tannins show top grade winemaking but always in a natural, pure way, nothing forced or out of place. This wine is a true thoroughbred, clearly a masterpiece from the Guinaudeaus. armit, 20 points. Drink 2019-2030+

### About the producer

Nestled next door to Pomerol's Petrus, Château Lafleur measures a mere 4.5ha, planted almost exactly with half Bouchet (Cabernet Franc) and half Merlot. Since the Guinaudeau family took control of production, an already highly regarded cru has reached greater heights, with more obsessive precision of selection and timing of picking, as well as more nuanced use of barrels. Combining their mineral expression of Merlot, with the perfume and complexity of Bouchet (Cabernet Franc) the Guineau family has managed to create some of the most elegant, long-lived and collectible wines in Bordeaux.

