

2016 Les Champs Libres, Bordeaux Blanc

Château Lafleur, Bordeaux Wine Region, France

Product details

Vintage:	2016	Drinking:	2018 2023
Producer:	Château Lafleur	Alcohol:	13.00%
Region:	Bordeaux Wine Region	Variety:	
Country:	France		

Tasting notes

Seductive softly spoken Burgundian toast aspect with just a miniature, delicate, swathe of butter. Then a touch of sweet vanilla, purest citrus with a grapefruit tinge and bundles of energy. Bursting minerality and acidity beams and shines carrying the wine on a wave of limey purity that even a lime would be jealous of. Tingling in its vivacity and drive. Under ripe stone fruits leave the mouth salivating. A wisp of smoke and a waft of white and yellow blossoms make this wine soar and sing. So driven and pure with a penetrating focus at its centre which is laser like. Hint of orange / grapefruit pith adds texture and depth on the finish which is thrillingly fresh.

Score: 18.5

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 Guinaudeau family has managed to create some of the most elegant, long-lived and collectible wines in Bordeaux.

