

CHATEAU
SMITH HAUT LAFITTE
GRAND CRU CLASSÉ



Les Hauts de Smith 2020

Pessac-Léognan



Yield: 30 hectoliters per hectare prior to selection for the three wines: Chateau Smith Haut Lafitte, Les Hauts de Smith and Le Petit Smith Haut Lafitte.

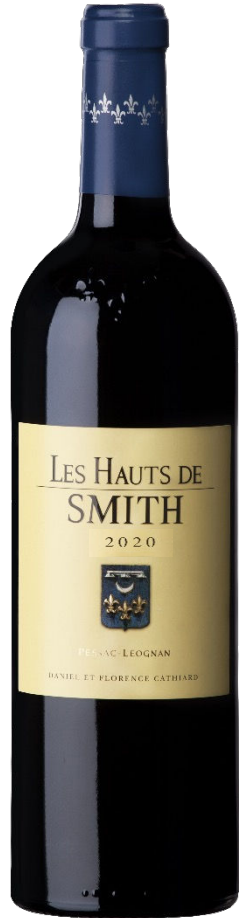
Blend :

60% Merlot

40% Cabernet Sauvignon

Winemaking : Grapes are sorted twice, before and after destemming, to eliminate any undesirable elements (stem fragments). They are not pressed before undergoing fermentation in vats. Tannins and color are very softly extracted by punching down and some pumping over. Maceration takes place at 26-28° C; tasting determines the length of maceration for each vat (from 4 to 6 weeks).

Aging : 14 months in barrels (20% new wood) produced in our in-house cooperage. To be enjoyed from 2018.



Tasting scores

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| Antonio Galloni - Vinous | 92-94 |
| Peter Moser – Falstaff | 92-94 |
| Yohann Castaing – Anthocyanes | 92-94 |
| Jeb Dunnuck | 91-93+ |
| James Suckling | 92-93 |
| Jane Anson – Decanter | 92 |
| Neal Martin - Vinous | 90-92 |
| Jeff Leve – Wine Cellar Insider | 90-92 |

Fabien Teitgen's comments, winemaker:

It is a deep wine with character. The nose is expressive with notes of red and black fruits, with a touch of chocolate and spices. The palate is medium-bodied with quality tannins and a beautiful smoothness.