



## 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:

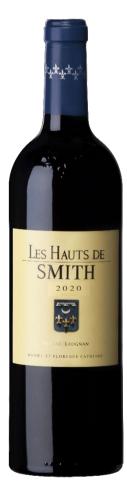
60% Merlot

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 inhouse cooperage. To be enjoyed from 2018.

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Tasting scores	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
Ĕ	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.