

CHATEAU
SMITH HAUT LAFITTE
GRAND CRU CLASSÉ



● Smith Haut Lafitte 2020



Yield: 30 hl/ha, prior to selection for the estate's three wines: Chateau Smith Haut Lafitte, Les Hauts de Smith and Le Petit Smith Haut Lafitte.

Blend:

65% Cabernet Sauvignon

30% Merlot

4% Cabernet Franc

1% Petit Verdot

Winemaking: Whole grapes are fermented at 28°C in small wooden vats with very soft extraction by manual punching down.

Aging: 18 months in barrels (60% are new barrels produced in our in-house cooperage), with aging on lees. After being racked a single time, wine is aged according to its profile.

Age of vines: 48 years old

Tasting notes

Vert de vin	100
James Suckling	99-100
Wine Advocate – Lisa Perrotti Brow.	98-100
Jeb Dunnuck	97-100
Jeff Leve – Wine Cellar Insider	97-99
Yves Beck	97-98
Wine Enthusiast – Roger Voss	96-98
Les Echos	96-98
Inside Bordeaux - Jane Anson	97
Neal Martin – Vinous	95-97
Peter Moser – Falstaff	95-97
Figaro	95-97

Tasting notes from Fabien Teitgen, Winemaker:

The color of the wine is dark red, almost black with blueish hues. Very expressive on the nose with red fruits and black fruits flavors. A good swirl in the glass releases a large range of flavors and spices. Star anis, liquorice as well as empyreumatic notes and flint stones from the gūnziens gravels. It goes very wide and powerful on the palate at first, then the well-defined structure and smoothness of the wine gives it all its balance, fresh and full body.