Lafon-Rochet



PRODUCER
Lafon-Rochet

REGION
Bordeaux

WHERE
Saint-Estèphe, Bordeaux

CLASSIFICATION
Fourth Growth (1855)

GRAPES
Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot

VINTAGE AND SIZE
2003 · 12 x 75cl OWC

About Lafon-Rochet

Château Lafon-Rochet is a Fourth Growth of Saint-Estèphe, classified in 1855, in the south of the appellation close to Cos d'Estournel and just across the boundary from Lafite in Pauillac. It was bought in 1960 by the Tesseron family, who rebuilt the château and replanted the vineyard, and it is easily recognised by its bright yellow buildings and labels.

Its vines grow on gravel over clay and limestone, typical of Saint-Estèphe, and quality has risen steadily in recent decades. It is valued as a classic classified-growth claret.

About the wine

Lafon-Rochet is a classic Saint-Estèphe, blending Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot with smaller amounts of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. It is firm and fresh, with dark fruit, earthy and graphite notes and the structured tannins typical of the appellation. Usually tight in youth, it rewards ten years or more in bottle, and good vintages last well beyond twenty.

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