

COLLECTION MIROIR

MILLÉSIMES SECRETS

1988 - THE GREAT CLASSIC

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 65% - MERLOT 21%
CABERNET FRANC 11% - PETIT VERDOT 3%

AT FIRST SLOW DEVELOPMENT, COLD AND RAINY,
THEN FINE WEATHER SETTLING FROM MID-AUGUST
AND REMAINING UNTIL THE HARVEST.

OFTEN FORGOTTEN, THIS 1988 VINTAGE SPEAKS
TO THOSE WHO CAN APPRECIATE REAL ELEGANCE:
CEDAR, RIPE BLACKBERRY, SOFT SPICES, NOTES
OF DRIED FLOWERS AND BLOND HAVANA, THIS
WINE STILL SHOWS AN IMPRESSIVE TENSION.
STRUCTURE IS NOT A VAIN WORD HERE,
ALTHOUGH THIS WINE OFFERS A BEAUTIFULLY
MUSCULAR BODY, ENHANCED WITH FRESH HINTS
AND A SPECTACULAR YOUTH.

1995 - THE ROMANTIC

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 67% - MERLOT 26%
CABERNET FRANC 7%

VERY WARM AND DRY SUMMER, THEN IDEAL
CONDITIONS UNTIL HARVEST TIME.

STANDING AMONG THIS VINTAGE’S GREAT
SUCCESSES, THIS GEM BOASTS GREAT
CONCENTRATION, AND STILL APPEARS TO BE
EXTREMELY PRECISE, FRESH AND DEEP.
BLACK BERRIES, UNDERBRUSH AND BLOND
TOBACCO ADORN A CREAMY TANNIC STRUCTURE.
LAYERED AND ELEGANT.

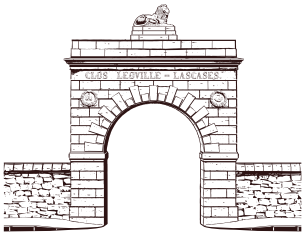
1998 - THE ELEGANT LUSCIOUSNESS

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 76% - MERLOT 15%
CABERNET FRANC 9%

AN EARLY VINTAGE, A VERY HOT AND DRY SUMMER.

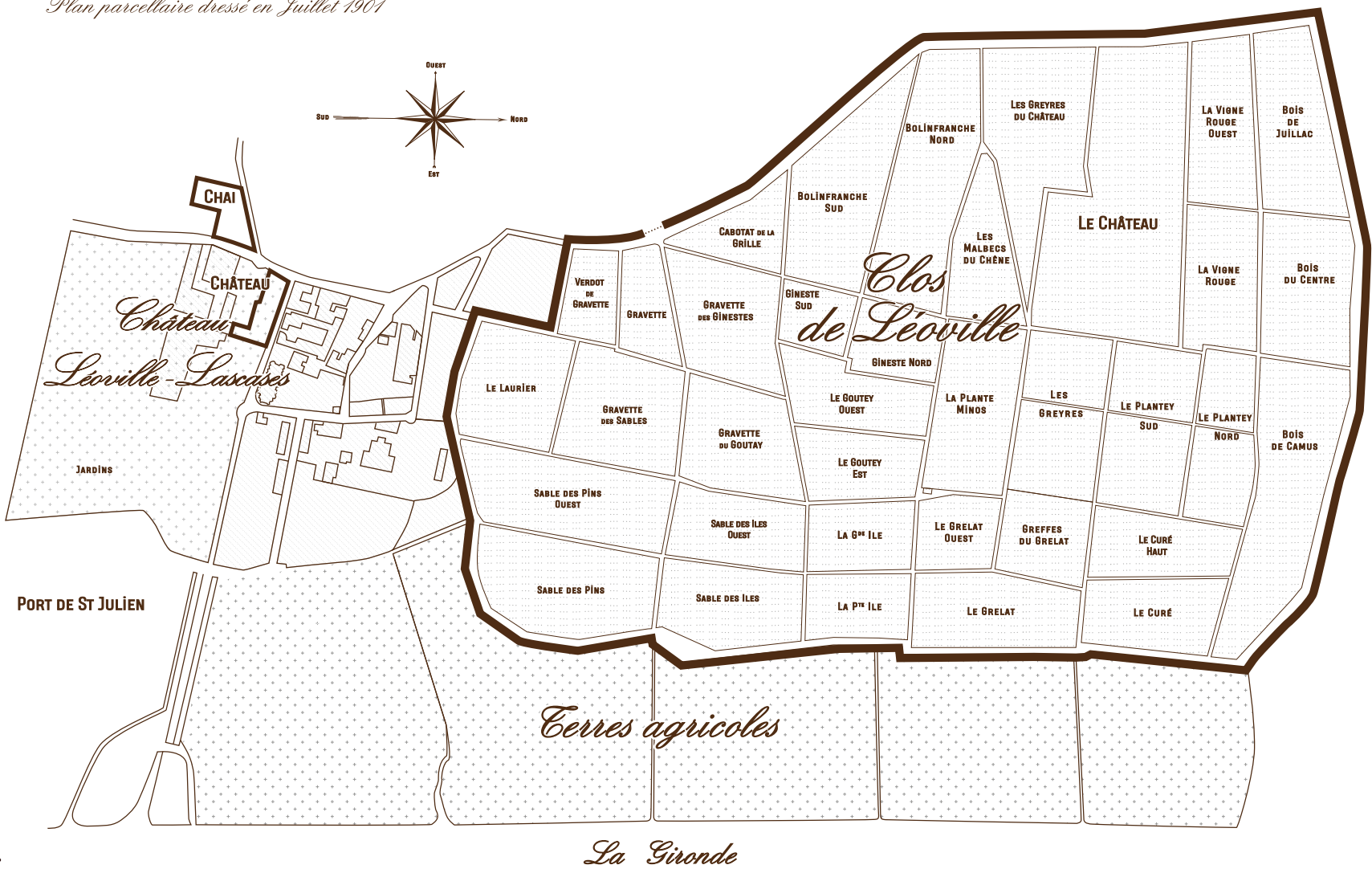
RIPE AND RICH, THIS ATHLETIC 1998 REMAINS
A BENCHMARK OF HOW GREAT AN UNEXPECTED
VINTAGE CAN BE AT LEOVILLE LAS CASES.
BOASTING FRESH NOTES OF CEDAR, SPICES AND
CURRANTS IT IS STILL VERY WELL STRUCTURED
ON MUSCULAR TANNINS. ELEGANCE AND
BALANCE YET STILL PREVAIL, LIFTED WITH A
FRESH LINGERING ACIDITY AND MENTHOL HINTS.

CAISSE N°1



Grand Vin de Léoville
du Marquis de Las Cases

Plan parcellaire dressé en Juillet 1901



GRAND VIN DE LÉOVILLE DU MARQUIS DE LAS CASES - THE TERROIR:

A HISTORICAL VINEYARD, INITIALLY PLANTED IN THE BEGINNING OF THE 17TH CENTURY
ON AN UNIQUE AND EXCEPTIONAL TERROIR: QUATERNARY GRAVELS MINGLED OVER GRAVELLY-CLAY
AND GRAVELLY-SAND SUBSOILS, OVERLOOKING THE GIRONDE RIVER.
ENCLOSED BY A WALL, THIS UNIQUE MICROCLIMATE IS UNCHANGED SINCE THE FRENCH REVOLUTION.
ALTHOUGH STANDING IN ONE SINGLE PIECE AND ITS HIGHEST POINT REACHING 20 METRES ABOVE SEA LEVEL,
THIS VINEYARD PROUDLY ENCOMPASSES HILLY-LIKE PARCELS, VALLEYS AND GENTLE SLOPES.
A MARVELLOUS MOSAIC WHERE 54 DIFFERENT TYPES OF SOILS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED,
EACH ONE BEING CAREFULLY TAKEN CARE OF, SO THAT THE VINE CAN GROW AND PRODUCE AT ITS VERY BEST.
THIS TERROIR IS THE LIVING SOUL OF OUR WINES, THEREON GROWING VINES IS EMBRACING HISTORY.

THE CHARMING BEAST - 2001

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 69% - MERLOT 19%
CABERNET FRANC 12%

AN EARLY VINTAGE STARTING ON A RAINY,
WARM WINTER. THE WEATHER THEN GLOBALLY
EVOLVED IN A MUCH MORE FAVOURABLE WAY,
RESULTING IN A VERY HIGH QUALITY CROP.

FRESH AND STRAIGHTFORWARD, THIS WINE IS
STILL CLEARLY DENSE AND CHARMING.
A VIVID FRUITINESS OF DARK BERRIES AND
BLACK PLUMS ENHANCED BY HINTS OF SPICES,
TRUFFLE AND LEAD PENCIL OVER A LINGERING
BACKBONE OF LIVELY ACIDITY.

THE UNEXPECTED - 2003

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 70% - MERLOT 17%
CABERNET FRANC 13%

THE VINTAGE OF SCORCHING HEAT
AND DROUGHT, BALANCED WITH LIGHT RAIN IN
SEPTEMBER, ENABLING GRAPES TO FINALIZE
THEIR RIPENING PROCESS.

THIS WINE IS SUPRISING IN THE BEST WAY,
AS IT SHOWS NO SIGN OF HEAT.
THE EARLY RIPENING TERROIR CONVEYED
GREAT COMPLEXITY AND IMMEDIATE PLEASURE
WITH THIS WINE, OFFERING FLAVOURS
OF DARK RED BERRIES, CASSIS, SLATE,
SMOKE AND DARK CHOCOLATE, COATED
IN AN AERIAL-LIKE FRESHNESS.

THE QUIET STRENGTH - 2008

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 78% - MERLOT 10%
CABERNET FRANC 12%

GLOBALLY COLD WEATHER AND LATE TO
START WITH, THE SUMMER WAS COOL.
EVENTUALLY CONDITIONS IMPROVED
DRAMATICALLY TO END UP WITH A HARVEST
OF GREAT QUALITY.

FRAGRANT AND PURE, THIS HARMONIOUS
WINE IS ALREADY A DELIGHT:
GRAPHITE AND TOBACCO JOIN CHERRIES, CASSIS
AND MENTHOL IN A EARTHY DANCE.
TANNINS ARE RIPE AND A FRESH TOUCH
OF IODINE ADDS EVEN MORE ENERGY.