

CHATEAU LAGRANGE

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855

SAINT-JULIEN

PRIMEURS 2023

Decanter

Georgina Hindle 95

Another great vintage from Lagrange. Strongly scented, lots of Cabernet markers, liquorice, toast, cedar, tobacco, some dark chocolate and dark bramble fruit - blackcurrants and blueberries with perfumed accents too. Smooth and supple, almost velvety on the palate, this has a thickness of fine tannins, and plump fruit with a great juiciness. A touch of bitterness on the finish - some iodine notes, oyster shell salinity and some oak toast. I like the plump, almost fleshy aspect, balancing the acidity with a hint of sweetness.



James Suckling 94-95

This is tight but has creamy, round tannins and a juicy character. Blackberries, chocolate and spices on the medium-bodied palate. Chewy and polished.

JANE ANSON INSIDE BORDEAUX

Jane Anson 95

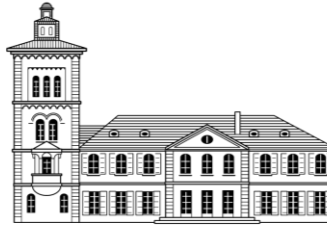
This is very much in the character of Lagrange over the past few years, showing precision and confidence in its construction, finessed and elegant, with St Julien balance and reserved power. Will absolutely deliver for fans of classical Left Bank Bordeaux with its slate tannins, savoury Cabernet black and blue fruits, fresh leaf tea, tobacco, raspberry leaf, spiced sage and luscious mouthwatering signoff. 51hl/ha yield.

Les Echos

Les Echos 94-95

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JEB DUNNUCK

Jeb Dunnuck 93-95+

I was able to taste the 2023 Château Lagrange on two separate occasions, and it showed beautifully both times. Deep ruby/purple-hued with a gorgeous yet reserved perfume of cassis, graphite, violets, and spicy oak, it hits the palate with a medium to full-bodied, ultra-pure, seamless mouthfeel that carries flawlessly integrated tannins and acidity. It plays in the fresher, elegant style of the vintage yet has so much to love with its purity, balance, and elegance.



William Kelley, Wine Advocate 93-95

A blend of 84% Cabernet Sauvignon and 16% Merlot, the 2023 Lagrange offers up aromas of dark berries, plums and cherries mingled with hints of pencil shavings and violets. Medium to full-bodied, layered and fleshy, with good depth, supple tannins and a suave, vibrant profile, it's attractively seamless and complete.

When Matthieu Bordes arrived at Château Lagrange in 2006, he had the good fortune to take over a vineyard that had been extensively replanted in the 1980s and was just arriving at maturity. Since Suntory acquired this estate, no expense has been spared, nor has any selection been considered too severe. In 2023, Bordes and his team waited for the Cabernet Sauvignon on the plateau to attain full maturity after the rains and have been rewarded by a fine classic for this estate.



Antonio Galloni 92-95

The 2023 Lagrange is bright, punchy and full of character. Red-toned fruit, blood orange, spice, menthol, liquorice and rose petal lend exuberance and freshness to this mid-weight Saint-Julien. Readers will find a wine of total class and sophistication. In a word : terrific. Tasted two times.



Les Fiefs de Lagrange

SAINT-JULIEN

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Decanter

Georgina Hindle 90

Vivid bright pink colour to the rim. Strongly perfumed with ripe jammy, plummy fruit, lots of red cherry, violet and blackcurrant but with strong herbal and menthol Cabernet markers on the nose too. Sleek and straight, lively though, this has a buzzy tone to the juicy fruit, tangy, and almost sour but stays the right side. Really well controlled, fresh and lifted but not overly so, lovely length and weight. Generous and easy to enjoy. A touch of plumpness too, no doubt because of the Merlot, with the Petit Verdot adding colour and a flash of exoticism to the blend. 3.46pH. Ageing 20% new oak.



William Kelley, Wine Advocate 89-91

Some 52% of the estate's production was consecrated to the 2023 Les Fiefs de Lagrange, an attractive, medium to full-bodied wine redolent of cassis, licorice and plums. With good depth at the core and sweet, powdery tannins, it's a vibrant Saint-Julien that will age with grace. A further 6% of Lagrange's output was bulked out to maintain the quality of this cuvée, and that shows.

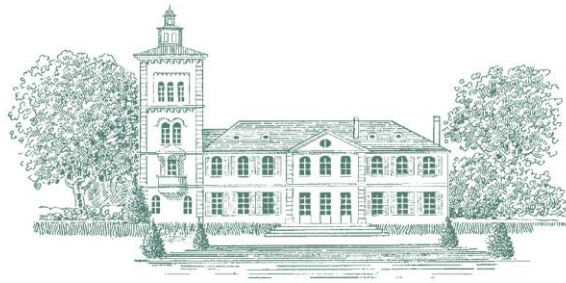
ALEXANDRE MA®

Alexandre Ma, 90-92

The 2023 vintage of Les Fiefs de Lagrange is exceptionally refreshing, with the previously robust tannins of past vintages notably softened, complemented by a crisp acidity that brings a delightful freshness. The fruitiness is delicate yet invigorating, with notes of red currant and tart pomegranate evoking a youthful ambiance. Perfect for enjoying in its youth, this vintage has become one of my favorites from Les Fiefs de Lagrange in recent years.

Les Echos

Les Echos 92-93



LES ARUMS DE LAGRANGE

BORDEAUX

PRIMEURS 2023

Decanter

Georgina Hindle 93

Crisp green apple, hints of citrus and white stone fruit and some pear and clementine notes. Smells clean and fresh. Fresh and lively, bright and round. Lemon leanness with some peachy fleshiness and a hint of both honey and wet stone minerality. A lovely dash of sweetness nicely balances and counters the acidity with some soft spiced and bitter grapefruit edges giving the frame. Well balanced, really easy to drink yet on the refreshing side of the spectrum. A great white in 2023. Ageing seven months in oak barrels, 40% new oak. 3.2pH.

ALEXANDRE MAI®

Alexandre Ma 91-93

In the 2023 vintage, I encountered many white wines that were overly rounded, making ones like Les Arums de Lagrange stand out for its lean and elegant profile. The presence of Sauvignon Blanc brings forth notes of lemon, orange, and orange peel, lending clarity and freshness to the entire glass. Meanwhile, subtle hints of fruit drops create an ideal sweetness mid-palate, making it the kind of white wine that can be effortlessly enjoyed without much contemplation.



Lisa Perrotti-Brown 90-92

The 2023 Les Arums de Lagrange features notes of grapefruit, juicy pears, and fresh pineapple that pop from the glass, leading to hints of coriander seed and white pepper. The light to medium-bodied palate is racy and refreshing, with plenty of citrus and tropical fruit layers and a steely finish. The blend is 73% Sauvignon Blanc, 15% Semillon, and 12% Sauvignon Gris.

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Vladimir Kauffmann, 95