

Las Cases

2017

TERROIR

Le Grand Enclos de Las Cases renferme un terroir d'une très grande complexité. Issu majoritairement de graves du Quaternaire sur sous-sol gravelo-sableux et gravelo-argileux, on rencontre également des argiles plus ou moins profondes et compactes, parfois même affleurantes. La proximité de la Gironde est responsable de cette grande diversité de sols, créée au fil des périodes géologiques par superpositions successives. De plus, le fleuve génère un microclimat bien spécifique qui permet une maturité très précoce des raisins et protège le vignoble du gel. Ce camaïeu de combinaisons géologiques influe sur le développement de la vigne et sur la constitution des raisins. Ce terroir incomparable offre au grand vin sa personnalité unique.

MILLÉSIME 2017

Le millésime 2017 nous a donné des 1er vins dotés d'une belle maturité et des seconds vins particulièrement réussis grâce à l'attention portée sur les jeunes vignes. Les Merlots sont riches, les Cabernets Francs fins et élégants, et les Cabernets Sauvignons puissants et structurés. L'assemblage du Grand Vin exprime des notes de fruits mûrs associées à une belle fraîcheur. La trame tannique, puissante mais très soyeuse et élégante, s'étire vers une finale particulièrement longue et complexe.

INFORMATIONS TECHNIQUES

Assemblage : Cabernet Sauvignon 79% Cabernet Franc 11% Merlot 10%

Date de vendange : Du 15 septembre au 4 octobre 2017

Degré : 13,28 %vol. - Acidité Totale : 3,67 gH₂SO₄/l - pH : 3,72 - IPT : 71



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NOTES DE DÉGUSTATION



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BETTANE & DESSEAUVE

Incrediblement accessible mais sans concession au niveau de l'expression du terroir et de la longévité. Raisin somptueusement mûr pour l'année, texture magnifique, raffinement unique de l'arrière-bouche. Le sommet du millésime. (Janvier 2021)

98/100

JAMES SUCKLING

"TOP 100 WINES OF 2020" The purity here is really something. Blackberries and blackcurrants with sandalwood, mint and other classic herbs. Full-bodied and dense with ultra-fine tannins. Silky in all ways. Goes on for a long, long time. A blend of 79% cabernet sauvignon, 11% cabernet franc and 10% merlot. Joyous and serious wine for the vintage. And comparable to 2014 and 2015. Try after 2023. (November 2020)

97/100

DECANTER / JANE ANSON

(...). Clear layers of fruit; the nose is one of the rare ones in the vintage where you want to spend time thinking about the different strands that are coming at you. Black truffle, liquorice, cinnamon spice, saffron, slate and cigar box ' this is a standout wine in the vintage. The team just knows how to tease flavour out of the ground at Léoville Las Cases. Closed, not exactly forbidding but certainly austere, with big tannins, but less so than in some vintages at this stage, and it unrolls in the mouth. (June 2020)

98+/100

WINE ADVOCATE / LISA PERROTTI BROWN

This comes from 50- to 90-year-old vines. The 2017 Léoville Las Cases is deep garnet-purple in color, and wow, the nose bursts with beautiful blackcurrant cordial, blackberry pie and blueberry preserve notes followed by hints of lilacs, dark chocolate, cedar chest, sassafras and licorice with emerging wafts of oolong tea, lavender and iron ore. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is an exercise in elegance and soft-spoken nuances within a mouth-coating palate of almost electric black and blue fruits, framed by very firm, exquisitely ripe, fine-grained tannins and seamless freshness,



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finishing epically long and wonderfully perfumed. Damn, that's good. (March 2020)

98+/100

IZAK LITWAR

Elegant and refined, with great complexity and structure, rich, very long on the palate, great depth and very long persistent finish. Impressive effort for the vintage.

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REVUE DU VIN DE FRANCE

Voilà encore un Las Case de haut vol. Trémé par de magnifiques Cabernets pleins et juteux, il offre un équilibre et une fraîcheur somptueux. Sapide et plein d'éclat en finale. (Guide Vert 2020)

97+/100

VINOUS / ANTONIO GALLONI

Among "The 10 most exciting wines of 2017", the 2017 Léoville Las Cases captures all the best the vintage has to offer. Rich, unctuous and stunning in its beauty, the 2017 possesses tremendous richness and textural intensity that carry through to the very long finish, all with the regal, statuesque feel that is the quintessential signature of Las Cases. Just as it was from barrel, Las Cases is wonderfully polished. Tasted two times. What a wine! (March 2020)

18/20

JANCIS ROBINSON / JULIA HARDING

Very dark with black core. This invites you in but doesn't say much in terms of aroma. It is dark, intense and sober at heart but with flashes of colour to suggest a future revelation. Super-fine texture, so much finer than I remember earlier vintages, especially at this young age. Seems almost delicate already but has amazing and effortless concentration. Already elegant. And unexpectedly juicy on the finish. Very very long. Fruit purity persists to the end. (April 2018)

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LE FIGARO / FREDERIC DURAN BAZIN

Coup de Coeur



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MATTHEW JUKES

A song to Cabernet Sauvignon and this time, Cabernet Franc is the main backing singer. The density of fruit is superb and yet there is a depth and a power here, without necessarily being heavy, which is superb. The oak is lovely, adding a layer of complexity which doesn't interfere with the fruit. Long and supple and not seemingly a wine which requires decades to get going, this is a stunning and fruit-driven Las Cases. (April 2018)

95-97/100

REBECCA GIBB

This is a wine that has depth and complex layers that are yet to reveal themselves. Yes, there's blackberry fruit, cassis and pencil lead but there's far more than fruit. Abundant structured tannins that are delightfully textured with a very fine grain and mouthwatering freshness. A very complete wine that isn't upfront, rich and obvious, making you want to explore its mysteries. One of my favourite wines of the vintage. (April 2018)

18-19/20

GAULT & MILLAU / YOHANN CASTAING

96/100

THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER / JEFF LEVE

It is not often you can use the word fruity to describe Léoville Las Cases but it is certainly fitting for 2017. Yes, the wine is fruity! You also find complexities of licorice, cigar box and lead pencil with tannins so refined it's almost precocious. The fruit is airy and bright with a sweetness that carries through from start to finish. This is the perfect vintage to enjoy while waiting for the bigger, more tannic vintages to come around. (April 2018)

97/100

JEB DUNNUCK

The Grand Vin 2017 Chateau Léoville Las Cases (...) has an incredibly classic style that carries loads of creme de cassis, crushed rock, graphite, and smoked tobacco-like aromatics. These carry to a full-bodied, concentrated, elegant Las Cases that has fine tannins, flawless balance, and a great finish. It shows the refined, regal style of this estate, has beautiful richness and



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depth, and is going to drink nicely with just 5-7 years of bottle age. (February 2020)

94/100

VINOUS / NEAL MARTIN

The 2017 Léoville Las-Cases, which was bottled in July 2019, has a fragrant bouquet with rose petal and briary aromas married with cranberry, pomegranate and raspberry. A touch of tobacco emerges with time. It is certainly a more understated bouquet for this property. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannin and a fine bead of acidity. This feels very pure and harmonious, quite complex, more so than in barrel, with darker, more savory and ferrous fruit towards the finish. This is an excellent Léoville Las-Cases with plenty of character. (February 2020)

95-97/100

WINE ENTHUSIAST / ROGER VOSS

Barrel Sample. This normally serious, complex wine has a smile on its face in this vintage. Even at this young stage the black fruits shine. It is certainly concentrated and dense, but the intense fruitiness cuts the tannins. This very fine wine will certainly age, although it is likely to be accessible sooner than usual. (April 2018)

96/100

WINE SPECTATOR / JAMES MOLESWORTH

A very focused, very pure rendition, laden with cassis, plum reduction and boysenberry puree fruit that is mostly waiting in reserve. A cold cast iron edge imparts a sense of restraint, while smoldering tobacco, charcoal and alder notes are deeply buried on the finish. The opposite of flamboyant. In need of time. Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Merlot. Best from 2025 through 2040. (January 2020)

GUIDE HACHETTE DES VINS 2021

Coup de coeur - 2 étoiles. (Octobre 2020)

97/100

YVES BECK

Bouquet complexe et filigrane aux notes de réglisse et de baies noires. C'est bien la première fois, en 15 ans, que je goûte un Léoville Las Cases en livrable aussi accessibles. Très belle expression aromatique, bien typé



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tandis qu'au niveau du palais le vin est friand, élégant et parfaitement équilibré. Ces tannins sont fins, bien intégrés et gagnent en puissance au fil du palais pour finalement appuyer la fin de bouche où ils s'imposent délicatement et confèrent de l'ampleur à l'ensemble du palais. Un Las Cases qui sait parfaitement associer puissance et finesse. Finale fruitée et persistante. 2024-2042. (Décembre 2019)

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LE POINT / JACQUES DUPONT

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JEAN-MARC QUARIN

Classé parmi les « 22 vins exceptionnels de l'année ». (Octobre 2020)

95-97/100

VINBRENNEVIN.NO / CHRISTER BYKLUM

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VINIFERA / JACQUES PERRIN

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WEINWISSER / TJARK WITZGALL - GUISEPPE LAURA

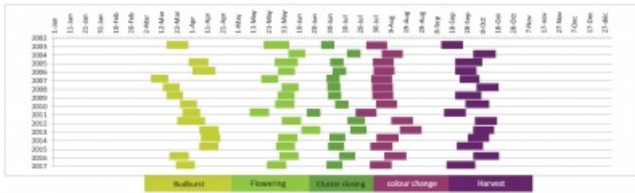


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Stades phénologiques



Pluviométrie et températures en 2017



Comparatif des températures et précipitations sur la période végétative : du 1er mars au 31 octobre

