

CHÂTEAU
**LAROSE
TRINTAUDON**
CRU BOURGEOIS
HAUT-MÉDOC

2012



PRESENTATION :

The Estate traces back its origins to 1719, but it's really in 1838 that Henry Delaroze, then mayor of Saint-Laurent, establishes a vineyard on one of the most ancient gravel beds of the Medoc. In 1884 Count Ernest de Lahens presides over the destiny of an Estate encompassing 300 hectares and oversees the construction of Château de Trintaudon and its tower; almost a lighthouse overlooking an ocean of vineyards. During its long history the Estate was acquired by a Spanish nobleman: Duc Del Infentado, subsequently by the Forner Family, then owner of Château Camensac and Marques de Caceres. In 1986, Allianz purchased the Estate, one of the largest of the Medoc by its surface area and total production; a well renowned property recognized the world over as a top quality Cru Bourgeois.

THAT VINTAGE :

A very wet year, except from mid-July to mid-September. Strong, but perfectly controlled, threat of Botrytis. Healthy grapes with good colour and tannins and less acidity than in the 2011 and 2010 vintages.

HARVEST START DATE : 8th of October

VINEYARD :

- **165 hectares** of vineyards.
- **Soil :** Fine gravels, sandy gravels and clayish limestone soil.
- **Planting density :** 6,600 vines per hectare.
- **Average age** of vines : 28 years old.

FINAL BLEND :

- **61% Cabernet Sauvignon** bringing structure, fragrance and fruit.
- **39% Merlot** bringing roundness and body.

VINIFICATION :

Classic three week initial fermentation.
Aged in oak barrels for 12 to 14 months.

TASTING NOTES :

Deep, very intense, brilliant, ruby-red colour. Red-berry fruit bouquet with hints of cedar and spices. The oak is not obtrusive. The initial impression on the palate is intense, with good body, richness, and lovely freshness, accentuating its overall tightness. The aftertaste is lovely and long.

Please decant two hours before tasting.
To be enjoyed by 2020.

MEDALS AND AWARDS

WINE ENTHUSIAST : 91/100
Editors' Choice 2015

JAMES SUCKLING : 90/100
(February 23th, 2015)

JANCIS ROBINSON : 16/20

ROBERT PARKER

A Sleepers of the vintage

Is a attractive, cleanly made, with a touch of wood, nice blackcurrant fruit, a plump, round, generous mouthfeel and a supple finish.
(april 2015)



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