## CHÂTEAU LAROSE PERGANSON

## CRU BOURGEOIS SUPÉRIEUR

Haut-Médoc
2018

## THE YEAR IN VIEW

From January to June...

- +40\% rainfall compared to the 30 -year average
- The lowest number of sunshine hours on record for Bordeaux
- Budbreak and flowering a week later than normal

The great humidity levels of these first six months resulted in a high incidence of mildew. There were significant crop losses, reaching some $90 \%$ in the zone to the south of Pauillac and down to Bordeaux

## The summer...

- In marked contrast to the first 6 months of the year, barely 60 mm of rain fell in the period between July and September
- Temperatures were up $2.3^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ compared to the 30 -year average
- The sum temperature was $+10 \%$ before the harvest

The 3-month period of drought preceding the harvest resulted in an important reduction in cluster weight and the volume of juice, up to - $30 \%$ notably on zones of gravel and gravelly sand.

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THE HARVEST
Merlots: 19 September (early ripening parcels) - 2 October Cabernet Sauvignons: between 3 and 10 October

- James Suckling 92
- Wine Enthusiast : 92
- Decanter: 92
- Antonio Galloni : 91
- Jancis Robinson 16+
- Andreas Larson : 90
- Jeff Leve : 90
- Chris Kissack : 90
- Yves Beck 91

Dark ruby red with purple glints. Immense aromatic complexity in a register of fresh red fruit (strawberry, raspberry, redcurrant), white fruit and fragrant hyacinth. Full bodied and mouth filling, it has perfect, almost magical balance. An excellent structure of sleek tannins gives the impression of endless persistence. The 2010 vintage showed great promise, and that promise has been fulfilled in this 2018 vintage that has everything!

