
Château Lynch-Moussas 2022

CSPC# 864616

750mlx12

14.2 % alc./vol.

Grape Variety	74% Cabernet Sauvignon, 26% Merlot.
Appellation	Pauillac
Classification	5th Grand Cru Classé - classified in 1855
Website	https://www.lynch-moussas.com
Analysis	pH: 3.70
Sustainability	Since August 2015, the entire Château Latour vineyard has been managed according to the principles of organic farming.
General Info	The Château was founded in the 18th century by a member of the Lynch Family. We can trace the origin of the "Moussas" name back to the 16th century. In 1919 the property was purchased by the Castéja family, at that time also owner of Duhart-Milon and later was inherited by Emile Castéja. Philippe Castéja, Emile Castéja's son, has been in charge of the property and its vineyards since. Château Lynch-Moussas is a typical Pauillac exhibiting a dark colour, a fruitful bouquet, a lot of softness with ripe tannins.
Winemakers	Philippe Castéja. Axel Marchal, Doctor of Œnology.
Vintage	In spite of rain in November and December, the three first months of the year are a lot dryer than usual. Spring is marked by 5 days of heavy frost, happily our own Estates haven't been hit. Flowering mid-May is quick and homogeneous for all grape varieties. June sees very high temperatures, heavy rains, important storms, all this followed by a very dry July with grapes turning colour very rapidly during the middle of the month. This Summer was extremely dry and warm. The warmest since 1947. Picking started early September and finished before the end of the month. It was very concentrated grapes with extremely small berries which have given these wines with deep dark colours, this beautiful maturity, and extreme richness, all these stamps of this Exceptional Vintage.
Vineyards	Chateau Lynch-Moussas' wine originates from the estate's 57 hectares of vineyards morcellated through the commune of Pauillac. The soil for these vineyards is typical of the Pauillac consisting mostly of gravel over a limestone subsoil. The vines are divided between Cabernet Sauvignon (72%) and Merlot (25%).
Harvest	The harvest took place September 8 - September 27.
Vinification/ Maturation	15 to 20 days of fermentation in thermoregulated stainless steel tanks. Aged in French oak barrels (about 60% of new barrels) for 18 months.
Tasting Notes	2022 is an exceptional vintage on several counts: exceptional climate, very deep color, high intensity of taste and superb concentration of aromas.
Winemaker's Notes	Deep color with purplish highlights. Aromatic expression is complex and precise, with nuances of blackberry, blueberry and licorice. The oak is well integrated, the palate is fresh, the texture continuous and a pulpy character is perceptible on the finish.
Serve with	Risotto with ceps, leg of lamb, beef fillet, doe stew, mutton chops. Enjoy with short ribs and creamy polenta, braised lamb shank with rosemary or thinly-sliced London broil.
Production	Approx. 15,000 cases are made annually.
Cellaring	Drink 2028-2050
Scores/Awards	95 points - James Suckling, JamesSuckling.com - January 2025 16.5 points - James Lawther, JancisRobinson.com - May 2023 95 points - Georgina Hindle, Decanter.com - January 2025 94 points - Jane Anson, janeanson.com - March 2025 93 points - Jean Marc Quarin - April 2023 94 points - Peter Moser, Falstaff Magazine - January 2025 92 points - Alexandre Ma MW - November 2024 95 points - La Revue du Vin France - May 2023 17 points - Vinum Wine Magazine - August 2023

