Couhins-Lurton

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ DE GRAVES



The characteristic of Château Couhins-Lurton white wines, Cru Classé de Graves, is to be made from Sauvignon only. Very elegants, they reveal fruity and fresh when they are young and gain in mineral complexity after a few years in bottle. They age very well.

surface 6.00 ha

Gravel, sand and gravel, on a subsoil of

limestone.

GRAFT STOCK 101.14 - 3309C - Riparia

PLANT FOOD Traditional, limited impact

PLANT DENSITY 6,500 vines per hectare

Wine average age 27 years old

GRAPE VARIETY Sauvignon blanc

PRUNING TYPE Double guyot with debudding

GRAPE HARVEST By hand in several passes.

FERMENTATION After pressing and settling, in oak barrels

(30% new)

FERMENTATION TEMPERATURE 18 to 23°C

malolactic No

WINE MATURING For 10 months in oak barrels on full lees

with bâtonnage.

WINE MONTAGE Tartaric precipitation by cold treatment

and bentonite.

MATURING POTENTIAL Fully expressive between 3 and 10 years,

can age 20 to 30 years.



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VINTAGE 2017

APPELLATION Pessac-Léognan

HARVEST DATE August 28, 2017

WEATHER The 2017 vintage was one of the earliest on record. The growing season was mar-

ked by a dry winter and spring (46% less rainfall than usual), accompanied by temperatures 2° C above average (except for the frost in April). This dry summer weather

was ideal for ripening the seeds until late August.

GRAPE BLEND Sauvignon blanc 100%

OENOLOGIST CONSULTANT Valérie LAVIGNE.

TASTING COMMENT

APPAREANCE Château Couhins-Lurton 2017 is a crystal clear, pale yellow colour with green

highlights.

The bouquet reveals a symphony of generous overtones, including white peach and

tropical fruits (pineapple, passion fruit), enlivened with spicy nuances (white pepper).

Lively tension on the palate. This soft, round wine is very elegant with white fruit (peach and nectarine) and citrus (grapefruit) aromas. In addition to great length, this

wine displays beautiful minerality, with hints of vanilla and oaky overtones. The slightly iodized finish gives a very pleasant aftertaste. Makes a lovely accompaniment to cod

grilled with herbs, monkfish cooked in saffron sauce or goat's cheese.

CONSUMPTION PERIOD 2018 - 2036





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PRESS REVIEW

COUHINS-LURTON WHITE 2017

VINOUS 05.02.2018 NOTE: DE 88,00 À 90,00 / 100

The 2017 Couhins-Lurton Blanc has a lovely fresh, vibrant bouquet with notes of lemon zest, Granny Smith apples and a touch of grapefruit. The palate is well balanced, quite primal compared to its peers with grapefruit and lemon rind, gently unfolding towards the finish with a peppery finish [2020- 2030]. (*Neal Martin*).

JAMES SUCKLING 04.05.2018 NOTE: DE 92,00 À 93,00 / 100

The sauvignon blanc character is popping out of the glass. Sliced lemons with green-apple character. Full-bodied, flavorful and long.

THE WINE SPECTATOR 04.03.2018
NOTE: DE 91,00 À 94,00 / 100

Very fresh, with verbena, tarragon and mâche notes streaking to the fore while lemon curd and white peach fruit catches up quickly. Really solid. (*James Molesworth*)