

# CHATEAU LYNCH BAGES

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*Jean-Charles Cazes*

The first writings that mention the lands of “Batges” date back to the 16th century. Located at the entrance of Pauillac, these lands were home to generations of wine growers for centuries. The Lynch-Bages vineyard (1855 Grand Cru Classé), overlooks the Gironde estuary and stretches over a beautiful gravelly hilltop. Their mild micro-climate is particularly favorable to viticulture and the soil, made of Garonne gravel, promote deep rooting of vines and allow for excellent drainage.

Formerly owned by the illustrious Lynch family, of Irish descent, the estate was acquired by the Cazes family in 1939. This is the flagship property in the Cazes family business, which includes 6 estates in France as well as a hotel and restaurants in the charming town of Bages.

In 2006, Jean-Charles Cazes took over for his father Jean-Michel Cazes. On a permanent quest for quality and excellence, he was awarded the Prix de l’Innovation in 2013 by the Revue des Vins de France for the VINIV concept. Jean-Charles Cazes and winemaker Nicolas Labenne completed a massive new winery at Château Lynch Bages in time for the 2020 harvest, christening it with a classic-quality wine.





## FEATURED WINES

*All wines are stateside*

| WINE                        | VTG  | QTY | PACK | VOL | CASE PRICE | BOTTLE PRICE | ORDER |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|------|-----|------------|--------------|-------|
| CH LYNCH BAGES R            | 2009 | 20  | 6    | 750 | \$1,652    | \$275        |       |
| CH LYNCH BAGES R            | 2014 | 20  | 6    | 750 | \$1,047    | \$174        |       |
| CH LYNCH BAGES R            | 2016 | 20  | 6    | 750 | \$1,306    | \$218        |       |
| ECHO DE LYNCH BAGES R       | 2022 | 20  | 6    | 750 | \$375      | \$63         |       |
| CH ORMES DE PEZ R           | 2015 | 5   | 6    | 750 | \$304      | \$51         |       |
| CH HAUT BATAILLEY 'VERSO' R | 2022 | 20  | 6    | 750 | \$206      | \$34         |       |

## OTHER CAZES FAMILY WINES IN STOCK IN US

| WINE                   | VTG  | QTY | PACK | VOL  | CASE PRICE | BOTTLE PRICE | ORDER |
|------------------------|------|-----|------|------|------------|--------------|-------|
| CH LYNCH BAGES R       | 2022 | 5   | 24   | 375  | \$2,408    | \$100        |       |
| CH LYNCH BAGES R       | 2022 | 9   | 12   | 750  | \$2,377    | \$198        |       |
| CH LYNCH BAGES R       | 2022 | 10  | 3    | 3000 | \$2,226    | \$742        |       |
| CH LYNCH BAGES R       | 2018 | 9   | 6    | 750  | \$974      | \$162        |       |
| CH LYNCH BAGES R       | 2010 | 20  | 6    | 750  | \$1,739    | \$290        |       |
| CH LYNCH BAGES R       | 2011 | 12  | 6    | 750  | \$1,089    | \$182        |       |
| CH LYNCH BAGES R       | 2018 | 40  | 3    | 1500 | \$1,129    | \$376        |       |
| CH LYNCH BAGES R       | 2019 | 32  | 3    | 1500 | \$1,129    | \$376        |       |
| BLANC DE LYNCH BAGES W | 2022 | 25  | 6    | 750  | \$519      | \$87         |       |
| BLANC DE LYNCH BAGES W | 2021 | 1   | 6    | 750  | \$390      | \$65         |       |
| ECHO DE LYNCH BAGES R  | 2014 | 20  | 6    | 750  | \$405      | \$68         |       |

All orders subject to availability, confirmation and prevailing tariffs. ETA for Out of State Orders November 2026.

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# Haut-Batailley

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## HAUT BATAILLEY VERSO 2022

*65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Merlot*

### THE VINTAGE

The extraordinary concentration of Château Haut-Batailley perfectly reflects the amount of sunshine that the vines were exposed to in 2022. The year was marked by unprecedented weather conditions, marked by a very cold winter and a very hot and dry summer. Faced with these strong contrasts and water stress in the summer, the vines proved to be yet again resilient. This vintage is characterized by its generosity, velvety tannins and beautiful freshness.

### WINEMAKING

Grapes are hand-picked and sorted at the vineyard. Vatting took place over a period of three weeks, with successive cycles of pumping over and “rack and return”. Following running off, the wines underwent malolactic fermentation in vats before being put into barrels. Aged 12 months in one-year-old French oak barrels.

### ACCLAIM

“Very floral, the 2022 Château Haut-Batailley Verso has beautiful black raspberry and cassis-like notes as well as hints of spicy wood and violet, medium to full body, a rounded, layered mouthfeel, and a great finish.”

**-Jeb Dunnuck, 93pts**





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## HAUT BATAILLEY VERSO

### 2019

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### THE VINTAGE

Growing conditions were hot and dry during the majority of the growing season, with the exception of August which quite stormy, and brought rainfall in the early stages of veraison, when the plant needed it most. The Haut-Batailley vineyard, composed essentially of old vines with strong roots, coped very well with the important water constraints. September was hot and dry until harvesting began, helping the grapes to reach maturity in perfect health.

Merlot harvest: September 23rd – 28th. Cabernet harvest: September 29th – October 9th.

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### ACCLAIM

“The 2019 Château Haut-Batailley Verso is incredibly floral and perfumed, with beautiful red and blue fruits as well as lead pencil, tobacco, and sappy herb nuances. A medium-bodied, elegant second wine, it has the tannins, mid-palate, and overall balance to drink well for two decades if properly stored.”

**-Jeb Dunnuck, 92pts**





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# ORMES DE PEZ 2015

SAINT-ESTÈPHE

49% Merlot, 44% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot

## HISTORY

Château Ormes de Pez has belonged to the Médoc landscape since the 18th century. Located West of Saint-Estèphe and bordering the hamlet of Pez, the estate owes its name to a magnificent grove of elm trees that once grew on the property. Ormes de Pez is the second property, after Château Lynch-Bages, acquired by the Cazes family in 1939. With distinctive harmonious spicy character, Château Ormes de Pez is true to its terroir. Wine lovers appreciate its opulence, elegance and well-rounded structure. Its powerful, rich and excellent tannic backbone allows graceful ageing.

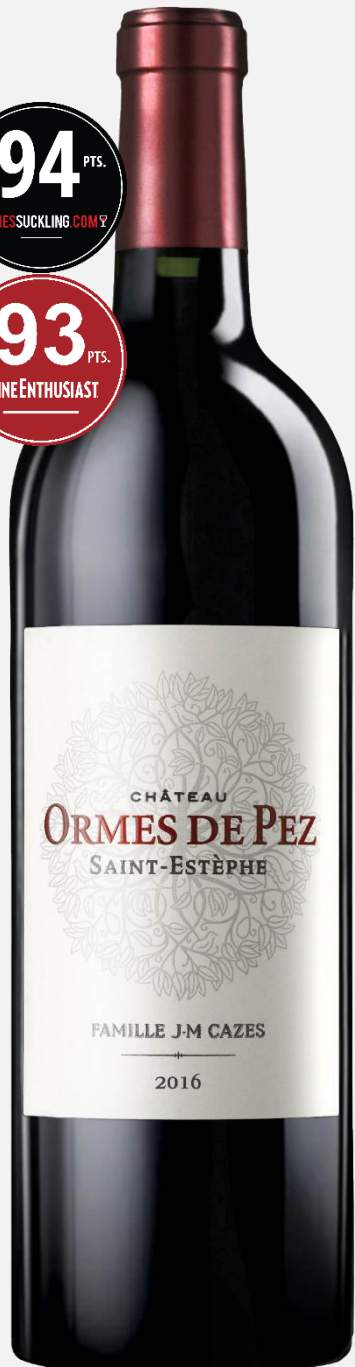
## WINEMAKING

Grapes are hand-picked and sorted at the vineyard. All vats were used for "traditional" vinification: rapid alcoholic fermentation and vatting over a 20-day period on average. The first pumping over revealed a bright, rich color and both a powerful and velvety tannic structure. Running off confirmed the promising quality of the wines tasted during alcoholic fermentation.

## ACCLAIM

"What a lovely nose! The blackberry, smoke and earthy notes are beautifully interwoven — then there's an equally impressive harmony of full, plush tannins and some real concentration. Needs until 2020 to give its best, but it's got many years ahead of it beyond that."

-James Suckling, 94pts



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## ECHO DE LYNCH BAGES 2022

*64% Cabernet Sauvignon, 31% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc*

### WINEMAKING

In a turbulent year marked by extreme weather events, the resilient vines offer us an exceptional vintage and a life lesson. Nature never stops.

The 2022 vintage is even "ahead of schedule," with an early growth cycle throughout the year right up to the harvest.

With these weather conditions, the vineyard's health is excellent. The vines are offering us grapes that reach an exceptional level of ripeness and promise a wine of remarkable concentration.

### ACCLAIM

"Dark currants with blackberries and a touch of pencil shavings. Good perception of freshness despite the ripe black fruit. Tight, full-bodied and fine-grained on the palate. Long, structured and juicy. 64% cabernet sauvignon, 31% merlot and 5% cabernet franc. Give it two or three more years."

**-Zekun Shuai, Senior Editor, James Suckling 94pts**





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## LYNCH BAGES 2016

SAINT-ÉMILION GRAND CRU CLASSÉ

75% Cab Sauvignon, 19% Merlot, 4% Cab Franc, 6% Petit Verdot

### WINEMAKING

Harvesting took place in favorable conditions and the grapes picked were both extremely healthy and of a high quality; we achieved perfectly remarkable technological and phenolic maturities. Harvest ended late in the day on 12 October.

Running off took place after an average 20 days of vatting, and the distinctive signs of a great vintage were apparent: full maturity of all varietals, particularly noticeable in terms of seed and skin tannins; no vegetal flavors thanks to summer heat peaks that limited pyrazines; small berries, which increased the marc/juice ratio in the vat and made the wine richer in both structure and aroma; a very marked acidity, thanks to cool nights in Autumn, and a perfect sanitary state.

One third of malolactic fermentation took place in vats and two thirds in barrels. Fermentation was quite quick, by the end of November it had ended and we were able to begin blending.

### ACCLAIM

"Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2016 Lynch Bages comes charging out of the gate with pronounced cassis, chocolate-covered cherries, mulberries and menthol notions, backed up by scents of garrigue, tilled soil and a waft of tapenade. Medium to full-bodied, rich and fantastically concentrated, the generous fruit is superbly framed by firm, ripe, grainy tannins with tons of pepper, cinnamon and cloves layers coming through on the finish. Truly, a legendary Lynch Bages!"

**-Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Wine Advocate 97+pts**

"This is built for the cellar, with a generous core of kirsch, raspberry paste and plum preserve flavors waiting to unfurl. Will take time, due to the licorice snap, roasted apple wood and sweet tobacco elements draped over the fruit. Should meld with age, as the structure is invigorating in feel, showing both acidity and tannins in lockstep with the fruit. Best from 2025 through 2040."

**-James Molesworth, Wine Spectator 97pts**



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## LYNCH BAGES 2014

SAINT-ÉMILION GRAND CRU CLASSÉ

69% Cab Sauvignon, 26% Merlot, 3% Cab Franc, 2% Petit Verdot

### WINEMAKING

The relatively cool, dry summer in Pauillac (rainfall below 30mm), prompted the development of remarkable acidity. Hot dry weather during September and the October harvest, with lovely sunny days and cooler nights were the key to success of this vintage. The manually harvested grapes had generous sugar levels, displayed enveloping abundant tannins, an intense color, and were nicely balanced by a lovely acidity Aged in wooden barrels for 18 months (75% new oak).

### ACCLAIM

"Aromas of currants, blackberries and blackcurrants with hints of chocolate and spices. Full body, firm and silky tannins and a long and flavorful finish. Juicy and muscular wine. Beautiful."

**-James Suckling, 96 pts**

"Full of promise, offering up a classic bouquet of rich but vibrant blackcurrant fruit mingled with with hints of loamy soil, cedar and vanilla pod. Full-bodied, deep and layered, with an abundance of ripe but youthfully assertive tannins, lively acids and a long, resonant finish, it will hit its stride in 10-15 years. This is an excellent Lynch-Bages that represents especially good value in the contemporary marketplace."

**-William Kelley, Wine Advocate 95 pts**

"Fragrant and perfumed, this wine is the epitome of great Cabernet Sauvignon. It is fruity, juicy yet with serious concentrated tannins. There is spice from the wood aging along with a dash of pepper, all the while just bringing out the beautiful black-currant flavors. Drink this wine from 2024."

**– Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast 95pts**





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## LYNCH BAGES 2009

SAINT-ÉMILION GRAND CRU CLASSÉ

76% Cab Sauvignon, 18% Merlot, 4% Cab Franc, 2% Petit Verdot

### WINEMAKING

From the beginning of the year, the weather conditions were particularly favorable for the vine's growth cycle and grape ripening. July and August were marked by generous sunshine and high temperatures. This perfect climate continued into September with beautiful sunshine and alternating cool nights and warm days. For the first time, thanks to satellite photography, we are dividing vineyards within plots based on grape ripeness. Harvesting began on September 28th and ended on October 12th. Rich and opulent, the 2009 vintage boasts a high polyphenol concentration and alcohol content.

### ACCLAIM

"In the running for the greatest vintage ever from this château, the 2009 Château Lynch-Bages is pure Pauillac magic, offering a powerful bouquet of blackcurrants, freshly sharpened pencils, smoked tobacco, and gravelly earth. It's full-bodied, has a concentrated, structured mouthfeel, building yet beautifully integrated tannins, and a great, great finish. It's just now at the early stages of its prime drinking window and has another 30 years of prime drinking ahead of it. I wish I'd bought more on release."

**-Jeb Dunnuck 98pts**

"The medium to deep garnet colored 2009 Lynch Bages is boldly scented of crème de cassis, blackberry pie and baked plums with chocolate box, incense and underbrush suggestions plus a waft of bay leaves. Medium to full-bodied, taut and well sustained in the mouth, it has a firm, grainy texture and a lively backbone lifting the black fruit core to a nice long finish."

**-Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Wine Advocate 96 pts**

