

# Château Grand-Puy Ducasse

Grand Cru Classé de Pauillac en 1855

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## Vintage 2006



## Terroirs

Garonne gravels and silica, typical of Pauillac, for the Cabernet Sauvignon, and sandy gravels for the Merlot.

## Surface of the vineyard

40 ha

## Planting density

10 000 Vines / ha

## Average Age of the vines

31 years

## Appellation

Pauillac, Grand Cru Classé 1855

## Farming method

Parcel management of soil and vineyard.  
Certified sustainable farming.



### *Climatic Conditions*

2006 vintage was a demanding vintage ! It will reveal itself as a year of wonderful terroir and skilled wine-makers, a year for which green harvesting was the key to success. In Pauillac, the vintage is full of colours and fruits, delicate and perfect for ageing.

### *Ripening phases*

Merlot : budbreak 3rd April, flowering 2nd June, véraison 8th August  
Cabernet Sauvignon : budbreak 10th April, flowering 10th June, véraison 14th August

### *Harvest*

Merlot: from 18th September  
Cabernet Sauvignon: from 25th September to 5th October

### *Yields*

51,18 hl / ha

### *Winemaking*

After hand-picking and selection of the grapes on the vines, they are de-stalked and carefully sorted once more. Fermentation is carried out in temperature controlled stainless-steel tanks. After blending, the wine is aged from 18 to 24 months in French oak barrels, 30% to 40% of which are new.

### *Production*

109 000 bottles

### *The blend*

60% Cabernet Sauvignon  
40% Merlot

### *Tasting notes*

Grand-Puy Ducasse 2006 has an intense, deep garnet colour, with a pure nose of ripe fruits and blond tobacco. The palate, juicy and delicious, is dominated by a vibrant fruit. The wine is medium-bodied with silky tannins, a long length. It is a Pauillac for ageing.

### *Comments & Awards*

Robert Parker: 90 / 100  
Decanter: 3 stars  
Andreas Larsson: I LIKED



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