



Bordeaux 2010 - New releases

France takes a breather today with a public holiday, time to reflect on the campaign so far. The lower-end wines have been priced on par with 2009 whilst a small few, such as Rieussec, have decreased slightly in price. Beychevelle, one of the first serious wines, was released over 20% up on 2009 and quickly sold out. It was however most likely sold entirely to the East, taking advantage of red script and the dragon on their label! We can therefore assume that those wines linked to Lafite, the first growths and the top-tier wines will be expensive and very sought after. It's unlikely however that the bulk of the Grand Cru Classe will increase in price from 2009.

Today we offer **La Fleur du Bouard**, a very popular wine among our clients and a benchmark of the Lalande de Pomerol appellation. It always offers super value, owned of course by Hubert du Bouard of Angelus.

Moulin Riche is the second wine of Leoville Poyferre, another wine we have been importing for a number of years and a great value St Julien.

Larrivet Haut Brion was one of the most exciting whites I tasted during the 2010 campaign. It is always elegant and steely, with a firm acidity and fragrance, allowing good maturation potential especially in 2010.

Finally, **Coutet** has some of the best ratings of all the sweets in 2010 and even trumps Climens this vintage as the finest Barsac...

'It is almost painful to tell the story of another great vintage in Bordeaux... this news is either tragic or mythical, but I have tasted enough wines from 2005, 2009 and 2010 to realize that these may be the three greatest Bordeaux vintages I have tasted in my career' Robert Parker

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Fleur du Bouard, Lalande de Pomerol 2010 R 244.12

This estate remains the reference point for the highest quality attainable in Lalande de Pomerol, but readers should keep a look out for new proprietor Silvio Denz's Chateau de Chambrun which appears capable of challenging Bouard's wines. This large estate of 50 acres situated on clay, sand and gravelly soils has produced a 2010 offering beautiful licorice, black cherry, plum and Asian spice notes in an elegant, medium-bodied style. A blend of 80% Merlot and the balance Cabernet Franc and a dollop of Cabernet Sauvignon, it can be enjoyed during its first 7-8 years of life - RP 89-91, WS 88-91, RPP 90-92

Larrivet Haut Brion Blanc, Pessac Leognan 2010 R 294.19

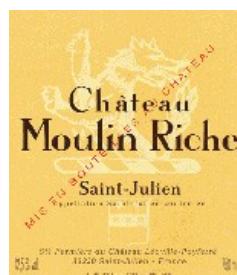
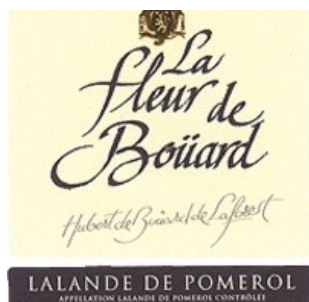
This cuvee offers complex, forward fig, melon and honeysuckle notes as well as 10 years of aging potential. - RP 90-92, JR 16, RPP 91-93

Coutet, Barsac 375ml 2010 R 291.69

The 2010 Chateau Coutet has 154-gms/litre residual sugar, one of the highest in Sauternes/Barsac. It is endowed with a delightful bouquet of freshly sliced mango, Tropicana and a touch of honey, with good definition and minerality. The palate is medium-bodied with very impressive balance and poise, and is slightly viscous in the mouth, with almond, lemon curd and a touch of orange peel. The finish is composed and long. The 2010 Coutet is very impressive for the vintage, although I suggest not quite reaching the stellar heights of the magnificent 2009. NM 93-95, JR 19, Dec 18, WS 93-96

Moulin Riche, St Julien 2010 R 210.32

Juicy and vivid, with lots of raspberry, cassis and blackberry fruit woven with a perfumy black tea note. There's plenty of grip on the back end, but this is lush and has melded nicely already- WS 90-93, NM 90-91



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