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TERROIR

Clos du Marquis, dont le premier millésime est 1902, trouve son origine dans le Petit Clos attenant au Château de Léoville Las Cases, demeure du Marquis de Las Cases. Aujourd'hui, le cœur du terroir du Clos du Marquis est principalement implanté sur le plateau de Saint-Julien à 20 mètres au-dessus du niveau de la mer, bordé de célèbres seconds Crus Classés. Il se situe à 500 mètres à l'Ouest du Grand Enclos de Las Cases. Ces 40 hectares se composent de graves du quaternaire, plus anciennes et plus fines que celles de l'Enclos. En cette zone, le vignoble est composé de podzols humiques sur graves sablo-argileuses. La présence importante de matière organique en surface confère également au Clos du Marquis sa typicité Saint-Julien.

MILLÉSIME 2025

Le millésime 2025 de Clos du Marquis se distingue par sa structure, sa précision et son équilibre. La saison viticole, chaude et ensoleillée, a été accompagnée d'un travail attentif au vignoble tout au long du cycle végétatif. Un rognage plus haut a été pratiqué afin de favoriser l'ombrage, contribuant ainsi à protéger les raisins et à préserver l'équilibre du fruit. Les Cabernets issus de ce terroir apportent précision, longueur et structure, tandis que les Merlots offrent chair, harmonie et éclat du fruit. Clos du Marquis 2025 est un Saint-Julien sérieux et élégant, alliant densité, fraîcheur et finesse, avec l'équilibre qui caractérise les plus grands millésimes de ce vin.

INFORMATIONS TECHNIQUES

Assemblage : 73 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 21 % Merlot, 6 % Cabernet Franc
Date de vendange : Du 08 septembre au 20 septembre 2025
Degré : 13,6% - pH : 3,57 - IPT : 78

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NOTES DE DÉGUSTATION

94-96/100

ALEXANDRE MA

From Terrasse 3, Clos du Marquis in the 2025 vintage shows an exceptionally open and relaxed profile. The palate is clear and bright on entry, with fruit that is both precise and layered. On the nose, it is as if morning light falls gently over cherry and bayberry, giving them a soft and tranquil sheen. As the wine unfolds across the palate, notes of violet and iris rise quietly, merging with powdery tannins to weave a finely detailed texture, evoking a sense of understated nobility. For long-time followers of Clos du Marquis, 2025 is a vintage not to be missed.

95/100

BETTANE & DESSEAUVE

L'harmonie du bouquet et de la matière rapproche une nouvelle fois ce Saint-Julien des meilleurs grands vins classés du secteur.

95/100

DECANTER/GEORGINA HINDLE

Purple flowers and dark black fruit aromas. Rich in flavour, this is full of life, energy and depth with a soft chew to the tannins and ripe fleshy fruit but keeping a chalky cool element. Mouthfilling and very St-Julien this year - ripe and charming, friendly, so approachable - like a big hug. Juicy and mouthwatering though, this makes you smile! I love it, much more demonstrative than Le Petit Lion right now. Gorgeous.

96/100

FALSTAFF/PETER MOSER

Deep dark ruby garnet, violet reflections, delicate edge brightening. Ripe dark berry fruit, black cherries, a fine touch of spice, a hint of nougat. Complex, juicy, red berry nuances, lively structure, ripe tannins, salty minerality, sticks well, cherries and cassis in the aftertaste, sure maturity potential.

94/100

FINE WINE GUIDE/GIUSEPPE LAURIA

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The parcels are located along the main road toward Pauillac, not far from Château Pichon Baron and Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande. An intensely fragrant, dark-berry bouquet with wild raspberries, cassis, blueberries, licorice, dark graphite, and floral violet notes. On the compact, rounded palate, the wine is juicy and charming, with a supple texture, finely woven tannins, and subtle salinity. Tightly structured and concentrated, with a firm build and a finish shaped by earthy and herbal nuances, ending with a delicate grip. As so often, a very charming Clos du Marquis.

95-96/100

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Well framed, focused, textured and refined. Aromas of currants, dried herbs, baking spices and some bark. Medium-bodied with very fine tannins. Nice concentration that remains elegant and in control. Tight tannins. Lively finish.

16.5/20

JANCIS ROBINSON/JAMES LAWTHER

Fragrant and fresh. Fine texture of tannin. Very precise. Reasonable persistence on the finish.

95/100

JEAN-MARC QUARIN

Couleur rouge sombre, intense, pourpre, aux reflets vifs. Nez très aromatique, au fruité mûr, accompagné d'une note de cacao et de violette. Minutieux à l'attaque, minutieux en milieu de bouche, avec un toucher gracieux, le vin s'étire en finale, long, puissant, charnu, complexe et surtout impossible à cracher. C'est très bon.

93-95/100

JEB DUNNUCK

Deep purple-hued and almost glass-staining, the 2025 Clos du Marquis is a blend of 73% Cabernet Sauvignon, 21% Merlot, and 6% Cabernet Franc that's being raised 16 months in 55% new barriques. Ripe black and blue fruits, graphite, and a crushed stone-like minerality all define the aromatics, and on the palate, it's full-bodied, rich, and concentrated, with ripe, polished tannins and a beautiful overall sense of purity and balance. It checks in at 13.6% alcohol with a pH of 3.57.

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92-94/100

LE FIGARO/ELLA LISTER & BEATRICE DELAMOTTE

Encore un nez très concentré et intense issu de la maison Delon où pruneaux, griotte, graphite et épices chaudes marient leurs arômes dans un bouquet puissant et profond. La bouche est si caressante et voluptueuse avec une matière ample et juteuse. Un vin immense, presque monumental.

17/20

LE POINT/JACQUES DUPONT & OLIVIER BOMPAS

73% Cabernet-sauvignon, 21% merlot, 6% cabernet franc. Fruits rouges, bouche élégante, fondue, tanins soyeux, finale relevée.

95-97/100

PAOLO BARACCHINO

95-97/100

RVF/OLIVIER POELS

D'une grande race, il séduit par l'intensité de son expression aromatique, mêlant fruits noirs juteux et épices. L'équilibre est remarquable, la texture soyeuse, portée par des tanins fins. La finale, nette et éclatante, confirme le rang de ce classique toujours très sûr.

94-95/100

TERRE DE VINS/MATHIEU DOUMENGE

Un nez d'une densité fraîche convoquant la gelée de myrtille, la violette, le cassis et une fine note réglissée. C'est le Clos du Marquis dans ses oeuvres, racé, un poil austère mais d'une grande distinction. La matière est pleine, sertie de tanins fermes et feutrés, soutenue par une élégante fraîcheur. Beaucoup de style dans ce 2025 !

94-96/100

THE DRINKS BUSINESS/COLIN HAY

Intimate and introspective at first with that slightly sombre, dark-fruited character of the vintage. Incense, patchouli, rose petals, violet, black cherry, blueberry and cassis. The dark fruit is plump and perfectly al dente. Refined, elegant and, like Le Petit Lion but much more so, bulby in its florality more obviously so in the depths of the mid-palate than

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aromatically. More luminous too, much more layered and with the fine-grained tannins hiding between the layers, delineating and pixelating the fruit. The best ever from here.

92-94/100

THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER/JEFF LEVE

Floral, spicy, and tobacco-stained, you also find currants, blackberries, licorice, cocoa, and a touch of espresso beans in the perfume. Vibrant, energetic, red with dark pit fruits, freshness, and refinement create the palate, The finish packs a good punch with its blackberries, chocolate, and currant profile that starts off strong, and keeps on going. Drink from 2030-2050.

94-96/100

THE WINE DOCTOR/CHRIS KISSACK

I adore the character on the nose of this wine, with dark plum, perfumed cherry, currant and violets, scented with rose petals and incense. This has a seriously beautiful coherence on the palate, showing elegantly poised and svelte fruit, with black cherries and currants, set in a modest texture, wrapped around a core of dark, sinewy and tightly grained tannins. This is a superb St Julien, the palate rolling into a long finish of perfumed and sinewy fruit and grip. This is in the running to be the best Clos de Marquis ever. This is 73% Cabernet Sauvignon, 21% Merlot and 6% Cabernet Franc, picked at a yield of 24 hl/ha, the harvest beginning September 8th, finishing on the 20th. This is the third year this has been vinified in the new facilities alongside Léoville-Las-Cases.

91-94/100

THE WINE INDEPENDENT/IVAR BJURNER

Juicy, fruity nose of violets and small red berries. Rather strong taste with a fine interesting fruity layer of fresh cassis and notes of green pepper. A well composed example of the always fleshy, round and seductive style of Clos du Marquis.

93-95/100

THE WINE PALATE/LISA PERROTTI-BROWN

Deep garnet-purple colored, the 2025 Clos du Marquis hops from the glass with vibrant notes of crushed blackberries and black currant jelly, giving way to nuances of rose bud tea, garrigue, and pencil shavings. The medium-

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bodied palate is wonderfully elegant and finely knit yet intense, delivering bright black fruit layers with minerally sparks, finishing long and refreshing. The blend is 73% Cabernet Sauvignon, 21% Merlot, and 6% Cabernet Franc. It has a pH of 3.57 and the alcohol is 13.6%. The wine is aging for 16 months in French barriques, 55% new.

93/100

TIM ATKIN/ROD SMITH

90-93/100

VINOUS/ANTONIO GALLONI

The 2025 Clos du Marquis is a potent, brooding wine. A rush of dark-toned fruit, gravel, incense, licorice, tabacco and scorched earth hits the palate. Cabernet Sauvignon takes the lead, and that very much comes through in the wine's savory character and structural profile. Lavender, mint, dried herbs and chocolate follow as the 2025 gains volume in the glass. There's a lot of wine here. I am looking forward to tasting this in finished form, given its considerable potential.

91-93/100

VINOUS/NEAL MARTIN

The 2025 Clos du Marquis was harvested between September 8 and 20 at 24 hl/ha and matured in 55% new oak for a planned 16 months. This has a fragrant and intense bouquet, with just a hint of lavender suffusing the black cherry and blackcurrant scents, more blue fruit surfacing with aeration. The palate is medium-bodied, with a powerful entry, quite precocious licorice-tinged black fruit. A little "heady" in style, I feel that the warmth of that summer comes through more here compared to the Las Cases.

95/100

VINUM/ADRIAN VAN VELSEN

Kühl, nobel, mit dezenter Kräuternote, Zedernholz, kalter Kamin, Zitronenthymian; am Gaumen fokussiert, gradlinig, kompakt, der Wein füllt den Gaumen, tänzelt dabei schwerelos über die Zunge, die Tannine sind von höchster Güte, tragen das Fruchtbündel in einen würzigen, fast schon spicy Abgang mit rotfruchtigen Rückaromen. Ausgezeichnet.

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WEINWISSER/TJARK WITZGALL

sehr komplexes Bouquet, Brombeere, Graphit, verführerisches Veilchenparfüm, edle Cassiswürze. Seindige Textur, engmaschiges Tanninkorsett, energiegeladene Rasse, herrlich reifer Extrakt, tiefgründiger Körper. Im Konzentrierten, aromatischen, langen Finale schwarzbeerige Konturen, Graphit, erhabene Adstringenz. Für mich der Best Ever!

92-94/100

WINE ADVOCATE/WILLIAM KELLEY

The 2025 Clos du Marquis is a serious wine that will reward patience. Unwinding in the glass with aromas of dark berries, crème de cassis, violets and burning embers, it's medium-to full-bodied, deep and layered, with bright acids and a chassis of ripe, powdery but abundant tannins. The blend this year is 73% Cabernet Sauvignon, 21% Merlot and 6% Cabernet Franc.

96-97/100

XL-VINS/XAVIER LACOMBE

96-97/100

YVES BECK

Clos du Marquis se révèle avec délicatesse et profondeur, d'entrée, au travers de nuances de cerises noires, de prunes, d'épices et de graphite avant de souligner sa fraîcheur par le biais de notes de menthe. Onctueux en attaque, le vin s'impose par sa sérénité, sa puissance et sa force tranquille. Les tannins apparaissent tardivement et offrent une puissance encadrée, en commun avec une acidité incisive qui souligne le tempérament et la fraîcheur présentes. Un vin imposant, tonique, élégant et persistant qui souligne une fois de plus sa grandeur et son authenticité.

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