

Order	SKU Number (s)	SKU Description	Appellation	Classification	ML Size	Offer Price	WA	WS	DEC	JS	WE	Tasting Note
Reception	16556	Château Smith Haut Lafitte Blanc	Pessac-Léognan	Grand Cru Classé de Graves	750	\$125.00	93	94			97	Dense and beautifully ripe, this is a rounded rich wine. It focuses on the tropical yellow-fruit spectrum. That gives a full wine with wood-spice hints and just the right amount of citrus acidity to give it a lift. (WE: 97Pts)
1	16585	Château Pichon Longueville Comtesse de Lalande	Pauillac	2ème Cru Classé	750	\$144.00	93	94			94	Very solid, with lots of cassis bush and sweet tobacco notes adding texture to the core of crushed ripe raspberry, blackberry and plum fruit flavors. A licorice snap accent dances throughout, while a bolt of iron runs underneath. This is Pauillac. Best from 2020 through 2035. (WS: 94 Pts)
2	16510 & 16465	Pavillon Rouge	Margaux	2nd Wine of Chateau Margaux	750	\$169.99	90	92			94	Layers of black fruits and tight tannins set this wine on a serious road. It has the freshness of the vintage as well as the bright acidity. At the same time it is structured and dense. This second wine of Château Margaux is ripe and ethereal in its lift. Drink from 2024. (WE: 94 Pts)
3	16433	Château Belgrave	Haut-Médoc	5ème Cru Classé	750	\$39.95	89	89			92	From the flagship Médoc estate of Bordeaux negociant Dourthe, this wine is impressive, ripe and ready to age well. The wood aging still shows slightly but that is already compensated for by the ripe black-currant fruits from the 66% Cabernet Sauvignon and the generous texture. Drink this wine from 2023. (WE: 92 Pts)
4	16584	Château Malescot St. Exupéry	Margaux	3ème Cru Classé	750	\$70.00	92	93			96	Dark currants and berries with walnuts on the nose. Follows through to a full body, integrated tannins and a gorgeous finish. Exciting. Wow. Drink in 2020. (JS: 96 Pts)
5	16451	La Chapelle de la Mission Haut-Brion	Pessac-Léognan	2nd Wine of Mission Haut-Brion	750	\$78.00		91			92	This is a finely perfumed wine with its dark tannins and juicy black-currant fruit. It has structure and a dense texture although this is filled with the bright acidity that gives the wine a lift. This will age well, so drink from 2021. (WE: 92 Pts)
6	16367	L'Hospitalet de Gazin	Pomerol	2nd Wine of Gazin	750	\$44.00						L'Hospitalet de Gazin is the second wine of Château Gazin introduced in 1986. It is produced in very similar conditions to those of the grand vin by the same team and the same concern for quality. The main difference is the positioning of the vines used: for the second wine vineyards are located predominantly below the château, on soils of gravel and sand and are the youngest vines. L'Hospitalet de Gazin approachable, attractive, fresh and fruity. It can be drunk even in the year after bottling, but can also be kept for many years. (www.avis-vin.lefigaro.fr)
7	16476	Château Berliquet	St. Émilion	Grand Cru Classé	750	\$48.00	89+	91			93	This is really structured with chalk, dark-chocolate, berry and walnut character. Full-bodied, tight and focused. Long finish. Serious wine that's very mineral. Better in 2020 but on it already. (JS: 93 Pts)
8	16487	Château Troplong Mondot	St. Émilion	1er Grand Cru Classé (B)	750	\$130.00	94	94				The 2014 Troplong-Mondot performed to my expectation now that the wine is in bottle. It has a refined bouquet with black cherries, raspberry preserve and mineral scents that gain intensity in the glass, but never get carried away. The palate is medium-bodied with fine tannin, tensile in the mouth but surprisingly linear and conservative, at least in the first half. It is fresh and precise, then delivers the weight and concentration as it fans out on the finish, a residue of white pepper tingling on the aftertaste. This is a delicious Troplong Mondot that should age with style and grace. (WA: 94 Pts)
9	16498	Château Climens	Barsac/Sauternes	1er Cru Classé	750	\$98.00		97				This delivers wave after wave of piecrust, dried pineapple, warm marmalade, singed almond, glazed peach and apricot flavors, with a hint of brioche. Despite the heft, this has a breezy feel within, thanks to riveting acidity buried deep on the finish. Best from 2020 through 2040. 1,958 cases made. (WS: 97 Pts)