



NOBLE ROT  
FINE WINE LTD

# BORDEAUX 2019

EXCEPTIONAL VALUE WINES  
FOR DRINKING

Wine	Price per 12x75cl (in bond)
Château Le Rey 'Les Argileuses'	£98
Château Beaumont	£100
Château Cissac	£102
Château Sénéjac	£124
Château Lilian Ladouys	£146
Château La Dauphine	£150
Château Poujeaux	£205
Château Siran	£232
Le Dragon de Château Quintus	£267
Château Angludet	£276

To save you from having to choose between these exceptional wines, we are also offering: **The Noble Rot 10-case Drinking Parcel**

*A parcel made up of a case each of these ten specially-selected clarets for just £1,650!*

# A Unique Noble Rot Offer

2019 is already looking like one of Bordeaux's best vintages and with price drops of up to 30% across the board allied to higher scores compared to the 2018 vintage, this presents all of us who love good claret with a spectacular, cellar-filling opportunity.

There is a general philosophy that in the great vintages, as 2019 is, nearly everyone makes great wine, and so these are the vintages in which us Bordeaux lovers should make sure we secure the more affordable drinking wines. These wines offer exceptional value, as you will see from a slew of impressive critical scores, for a mere fraction of the price of the investment-grade wines that Noble Rot normally offers to our clients.

In spite of the ongoing global pandemic, we have been fortunate to taste dozens of 2019 samples sent from Bordeaux, with this tremendous ten coming out on top. **To save you from having to choose between these super wines, we are also offering a parcel made up of a case each of these brilliant 2019s for £1,650, a whole £250 cheaper than last year, and with even higher quality!**

Each of the wines follow the Noble Rot philosophy of offering our clients excellent value for money, with wines ranging from as little as £8 to no more than £23 a bottle, in bond. Some of the wines achieve scores of 93-95 points from Neal Martin, the leading critical light for the region, scores which normally equate to prices of well over £75 a bottle!

This is the second time that we have offered exceptional drinking wines from Bordeaux en primeur, providing you with the opportunity to stock your cellar up with wines from a super vintage that won't break the bank, and which will offer wonderful drinking pleasure for years to come.

Dominic, Esme & Luciana, June 2020

## CRITICAL RATINGS

*Each of our ten wines offer exceptional value for money, especially considering the high scores awarded by two of the world's top wine critics:*



Scores in **red** are by

NEAL MARTIN  
*Vinous*



Scores in **green** are by

JAMES SUCKLING  
*JamesSuckling.com*

# The Noble Rot Offer *All prices are in bond*

## CHÂTEAU LE REY 'LES ARGILEUSES'

Castillon Côtes de Bordeaux  
£98 per 12 bottles in Bond



Château Le Rey is our bargain find of this vintage. A delight to taste, even the barrel sample was drinking well already! Le Rey sits atop Sainte-Colombe, a little hamlet east of Saint-Emilion with the same mix of clay atop limestone that gives rise to some of Saint-Emilion's best 1er Grand Cru Classé vineyards like Canon. 'Les Argileuses' is crafted in a Burgundian manner, expressing the essence of its individual terroir plots. 80% merlot & 20% cabernet franc are fermented in clay amphora delivering mineral freshness, red berry fruit and soft tannins. A total steal & must buy at £8 a bottle!

## CHÂTEAU BEAUMONT

Cru Bourgeois - Haut-Médoc  
£100 per 12 bottles in Bond



Château Beaumont has been a favourite of the claret-drinking set in London for decades, with its full-bodied and well-balanced reds. In 1986 the château was acquired by the current owners, who also preside over St Julien's Beychevelle. The vineyards are planted on deep gravelly soils in the Haut-Médoc between Margaux and St Julien, imparting power, structure and elegance to a wine which in this offer is under £9 a bottle. Neal Martin put it best when he wrote "*Now, this is a bloody great Beaumont*", and we expect it will sell out quickly, in all format sizes, just as quickly as it did last year!

## CHÂTEAU CISSAC

Cru Bourgeois - Haut-Médoc  
£102 per 12 bottles in Bond



"*This is a very fine Cissac that will give up to 20 years of drinking pleasure*", wrote Neal Martin, and we couldn't agree more. Cissac is a claret that has been enjoyed in the top London clubs for decades and rightly enjoys a large and loyal following in the UK. This charming estate is situated close to St Estephe & Pauillac and planted predominantly with Cabernet Sauvignon. Advances in viticultural technology have allowed Cissac to produce wines of real finesse for the price. We loved the freshness, ripe tannins and discreet spice notes here which unfurl over a long finish. Tremendous & available in large formats.

## CHÂTEAU SÉNÉJAC

Cru Bourgeois - Haut-Médoc  
£124 per 12 bottles in Bond



Château Sénéjac is one of the better known Crus Bourgeois of the Haut-Médoc, located near to the vineyards of Margaux. A historic estate of 150 hectares, of which only 38 are under vine, it enjoys a reputation for making high quality wine which blossomed in the 1980s and then oncemore in 1999 when it entered a new era when it was bought by Lorraine Cordier, whose family also owned the famous St Julien property, Château Talbot. The 2019 has unerring elegance, mineral freshness & filigree tannins, climaxing in classic black fruit cassis and spice on the finish. At £10 a bottle it is not to be sniffed at!

## CHÂTEAU LILIAN LADOUYS

Saint-Estephe Cru Bourgeois Exceptionnel  
£175 per 12 bottles in Bond



Recently elevated to the sought-after status of Cru Bourgeois Exceptionnel, Lilian Ladouys has continued its success this year with a remarkably opulent & feminine Saint-Estephe (perhaps the most successful appellation in 2019), belying the area's norm for heavyweight wines. Neal Martin was so impressed that he awarded 92-94 points, writing, "*it feels more Margaux than Saint-Estèphe!*" Sublimely smooth and well-integrated tannins support a clean, mineral mouthfeel, with black fruits, blueberry and a hint of violet. There is a gorgeous hint of salinity on the mouthwatering finish that begs you to return for another sip. A real find for us all.

## CHÂTEAU LA DAUPHINE

Fronsac

£150 per 12 bottles in Bond

92-94

92-93



Fronsac is very much a secret that the Bordelaise like to keep to themselves and it is where famous wine makers choose to have their own vineyards (Michel Rolland, the late Patrick Leon etc). Opposite St Emilion it produces wines of great quality at prices that are mouth-wateringly low. La Dauphine is one such example. Organic certification has meant wines with terroir-driven freshness and ripe fruit. Neal Martin noted it as *'yet another great Fronsac'*, praising its opulence, writing *'[it] has a superb nose with pure blackberry, boysenberry and crushed stone aromas, hints of iris and violet emerging with time.'* This is a special wine for the price and will be a much-loved addition to any cellar.

## CHÂTEAU POUJEAUX

Moulis-en-Medoc

£205 per 12 bottles in Bond

93-95

93-94



In her new book, *Decanter's* Jane Anson describes Poujeaux as *'easily one of the best wines of the [Moulis] appellation, and one that for me equals many 1855-classified growths.'* Generous & well-structured, this is a great example of a Cabernet wine that will age with class and grace, making it a must have addition to any claret-lover's cellar. Crushed stone, blueberries & black cherries congregate on the nose and translate to real structure on the palate, with grippy tannins and delightful tension on a persistent finish. At £17 a bottle for Neal Martin's Moulis 'jewel in the crown' this year, this is a must buy!

## CHÂTEAU SIRAN

Margaux Cru Bourgeois Exceptionnel

£232 per 12 bottles in Bond

93-95

94-95



Located to the south of Margaux next to Châteaux Dauzac & Giscours, Siran has attained the mantle of Cru Bourgeois Exceptionnel and with good reason. Extensive replanting by the Mialhe family with a mixture of 46% merlot, 40% cabernet sauvignon, 13% petit verdot and 1% cabernet franc makes for a 2019 with soft tannins and a mid-palate with black cherry & cassis fruits. The bouquet is *"drop dead gorgeous"*, says Neal Martin, who continued by writing *"This Siran boasts one of the longest finishes that I have ever encountered from this estate. Seriously good."* A star of the vintage at £19 a bottle: wow!

## LE DRAGON DE CHÂTEAU QUINTUS

Saint-Emilion

£267 per 12 bottles in Bond

89-91

93-94



Clarence Dillon, who own Châteaux Haut Brion & La Mission Haut Brion, bought Quintus in 2012 with the aim of turning this spectacular estate high up on the plateau in St Emilion into one of the best in the region - something it is achieving ahead of schedule. This superb second wine is named after a statue of a dragon in the grounds which 'protects the town of St Emilion'! The wine is, in the words of Neal Martin, *"lively and boisterous on the nose with plenty of brambly red fruit, briary and light rose petal aromas"*. This will be a very fine drinking wine over the next few years and beyond. Recommended.

## CHÂTEAU ANGLUDET

Margaux

£276 per 12 bottles in Bond

N/A

91-92



Chateau Angludet is a wine that always punches well above its weight and has a large and loyal following in this country. Ben Sichel has made a magnificent 2019 with the quality reaching new peaks, welcome news after two vintages where very little wine was made due to frost and then mildew. Not only is Angludet in the process of biodynamic certification, but for the first time the wine is being aged 50% in oak barrels and 50% in clay amphora. The result is a beautifully fresh, elegant and generous wine with searing purity and structure. Gorgeous and at 12% less than last year is a must have for claret-lovers. Also available in big bottles on request.