

2010 *Bordeaux Futures*



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Left Bank								
11777	Les Grands Chenes	Cru Bourgeois	Medoc	87-88	89-90	15	15.5	\$29.00
This lightly firm red offers bitter cherry and plum skin hints framing the core of dark currant and tobacco notes, with a solid, grippy finish. (WS)								
11622	Potensac	Cru Bourgeois	Medoc	87-89	90-93	16	16.5	\$38.00
Very primal, with cassia and violet running from start to finish, backed by a lightly chalky, slightly tight finish. Shows the austere side of the vintage, but has admirable length. (WS)								
11488	Beaumont	Cru Bourgeois	Haut Medoc	84-86	89-90	16.5	16	\$22.49
Solid core of ripe fruit, with toasted oak and chocolate character. Full and chewy. A soft and elegant wine, as usual, but it has decent grip on the back end. Always a good value. (WS)								
11559	Belgrave	5eme Cru Classe	Haut Medoc	90-93	90-93	16.5	17	\$43.00
One of the finest Belgraves I have ever tasted, this sleeper of the vintage boasts an opaque purple color along with abundant aromas of blackberries and cassis, a classy mid-palate, medium to full-bodied flavors, superb depth and crisp freshness as well as liveliness. Over recent years the large negociant firm of Dourthe has been making improvements and resurrecting the quality of this forgotten Medoc classified growth. (RP)								
11586	Belle-Vue	Cru Bourgeois	Haut Medoc	87-88	88-91	17	16.5	\$29.00
One of the finest over-achievers in the southern Medoc, Belle-Vue is a 36-acre vineyard situated close to Giscours. The 2010's final blend of 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot and a whopping 20% Petit Verdot hit 13.5% natural alcohol. The wine boasts a dense purple color along with sweet black currant, cherry, licorice and barbecue smoke notes, medium body, supple tannins and a refined, elegant, lusty style. It is the kind of low level Bordeaux that sells for a song and will make consumers happy. (RP)								
11521	Cantemerle	5eme Cru Classe	Haut Medoc	91-93	93-94	16	17	\$52.00
A quintessentially elegant style of Bordeaux, the opaque ruby/purple-tinged 2010 Cantemerle possesses elegant floral notes intermixed with hints of blueberries, raspberries, sweet red cherries and currants. Medium-bodied with impressive purity, concentration and texture. It is not a heavyweight, but rather a well-proportioned, stylish red that should drink nicely for 15-20 years. (RP)								
11576	Caronne Saint Gemme	Cru Bourgeois	Haut Medoc	89-90	89-90	16.5	16.5	\$24.00
Quite smoky, blackcurrant, fruit, impressive depth of flavours and grip as well, length and potential complexity. (DEC)								
11519	Charmail		Haut Medoc	88-90	88-89			\$31.00
This impressive 2010 is one of the most powerful, rich wines I have ever tasted from this over-achieving estate in the northern sector of the Medoc. A blend of 50% Merlot, 33% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Cabernet Franc and the rest Petit Verdot that achieved 14.2% natural alcohol (a record at this property), it boasts an inky/blue/purple color along with a sweet perfume of blueberry liqueur, acacia flowers, graphite, espresso roast and white chocolate. Medium to full bodied with outstanding texture. (RP)								
11680	La Lagune	3eme Cru Classe	Haut Medoc	93-96		16.5	18	\$96.00
An opaque purple color is followed by an extraordinary perfume of black raspberries, black currants, licorice and subtle smoke and graphite. While uber-concentrated, full-bodied and pure, it retains both elegance and precision as well as a sensational 45-second finish. The suppleness of the tannins and stunning opulence suggest it will drink beautifully for 25+ years. (RP)								
11556	Lanessan		Haut Medoc	91-92	91-92	15.5	16	\$29.00
Attractive notes of cedarwood, unsmoked cigar tobacco, red and black currants and loamy soil characterize this surprisingly soft, round, medium-bodied Lanessan. Although not the superstar value it can be in certain vintages, it is still a very good Medoc that should evolve nicely for 10-15 years given its tannic structure. (RP)								
11551	Sociando Mallet	Cru Bourgeois	Haut Medoc	91-93		16.5	17	\$58.99
The classic 2010 displays everything one expects from this over-achieving Haut-Medoc. A dense purple color is followed by aromas of blueberries, black currants, graphite and crushed rocks, a layered, full-bodied mouthfeel, stunning concentration and sweet, more polished and refined tannins than are normally found in barrel samples of Sociando Mallet. This cuvee should last for 20-30 years. (RP)								
11665	Calon Segur	3eme Cru Classe	St.Estephe	92-94+		18	19	\$139.00
Calon Segur is a concentrated, textured wine that requires a decade of cellaring. It will keep for 35-40 years thereafter. The final blend was 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot and 2% Petit Verdot. A dense ruby/purple color is followed by notes of plums, kirsch, licorice, incense and herbs. Full-bodied, moderately tannic, pure, fresh and precise, this beauty will require lots of patience from purchasers. (RP)								
11490	Clauzet	Cru Bourgeois	St.Estephe		89-92	16	16	\$29.00
Ripe and rich, but really fresh, with silky-textured structure guiding the delicious plum, anise and blackberry fruit. Supple and long. (WS)								
11801	Cos d'Estournel	2eme Cru Classe	St.Estephe	95-97	96-99	18.5	19	\$460.00
This offers a terrific panoply of dark tea, cocoa, savory herb and red currant confiture aromas. Remarkably dense, with loads of strapping dark fruit and tar in reserve. There's massive structure, yet this is rounded and so, so long. A huge wine in the making. This is going to compete with the elite of the vintage. A truly superb effort. Contains 1% Petit Verdot, for first time since 2005. (WS)								

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11873	Cos d'Estournel Blanc		St.Estephe					\$105.00
80% Sauvignon Blanc and 20% Semillon, only 250 cases were made!								
11713	La Dame de Montrose	2nd Wine of Montrose	St.Estephe	91-93	91-94	17	16	\$74.99
Bright damson plum, cherry and black currant fruit races along in this invigorating red, with mouthwatering acidity and a superfresh, iron-filled finish that has a nice rapier feel. Sleek and long. (WS)								
11548	Lafon Rochet	4eme Cru Classe	St.Estephe	92-94	90-93	16.5	17.5	\$74.99
Proprietor Basile Tesseron may have produced his finest Lafon Rochet to date. The 2010's inky/blue/purple color is followed by a distinctive bouquet of spring flowers, blueberry pie, blackberry liqueur and crushed rocks. Although a classified growth, this wine is an undeniable sleeper of the vintage as its price remains reasonable. The wine possesses terrific structure, ripe tannins and a voluminous, broad, deep impression on the palate. The fruit intensity, purity and richness suggest 4-5 years of cellaring. (RP)								
11522	Les Ormes de Pez	Cru Bourgeois	St.Estephe		91-94	17	17	\$50.00
This dense purple-colored 2010 exhibits dark raspberry and blueberry fruit notes, less power and structure than its neighbor De Pez, but more finesse, elegance and fruit forwardness. This impressively endowed effort should drink nicely for 10-15 years. (RP)								
11593	Marquis de Calon	2nd Wine of Calon Segur	St.Estephe			16.5	16	\$37.00
Marquis de Calon is the second wine of Calon Segur, from the Saint Estephe appellation. Mid crimson. Perfumed. Very intensely perfumed and very lively. Dense and sweeter than Calon usually is. Quite tough on the end. A teensy bit inky on the end though lovely on the beginning. Just dries a bit on the finish. (JR)								
11684	Montrose	2eme Cru Classe	St.Estephe	96-99+	95-98	17	18	\$310.00
Jean Delmas believes this is one of the all-time great wines of Montrose, comparable to the 2009, 1990, 1989, 1959, 1947, 1945 and 1929. The final blend is 54% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot, 8% Cabernet Franc and 1% Petit Verdot that achieved 13.75% natural alcohol, a fraction above the 2009's 13.7%. Somewhat reminiscent of the 1989, only even inkier and richer, the 2010 boasts a dense purple color along with glorious aromatics of blueberries, boysenberries, black currants and a crushed chalk-like minerality. The tannins are less intrusive than I would have suspected for such a young Montrose, but they are unquestionably ripe and well-integrated. Deep, full-bodied and massive, this beauty should be at its finest between 2018-2050. (RP)								
11489	Petit Bocq	Cru Bourgeois	St.Estephe	88-90	89-91	16	16	\$30.00
Blackberry and currants follow through to a medium-bodied palate, with fine tannins and a fresh, fruity aftertaste. (WS)								
11625	Phelan Segur	Cru Bourgeois	St.Estephe	89-91	90-93	18	17	\$72.00
Fleshy and inviting, with bittersweet cocoa, roasted tobacco, black currant preserve and warm fig sauce notes all defined and well-supported by dusty tannins. (WS)								
11594	Serilhan	Cru Bourgeois	St.Estephe	90-92	91-92	15.5	16	\$33.00
I believe this is the first Serilhan vintage to boast Hubert de Bouard as the winemaking consultant. The strongest effort I have tasted from this 60-acre estate, it is composed of 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 31% Merlot and the rest Cabernet Franc and hit 14% natural alcohol. A soft, round, generous, opaque plum-colored wine, it offers abundant notes of black cherries and black currants intermixed with hints of herbs and earth. Drink this sleeper of the vintage over the next 10-15 years. (RP)								
11524	Tour de Pez	Cru Bourgeois	St.Estephe	90-92	91-94			\$31.50
Dense, with kirsch and blackberry fruit and very racy, invigorating acidity. Hints of pastis and violet linger on the finish, while staying racy and taut. (WS)								
11666	Aile D'Argent		Pauillac	89-91	89-92			\$115.00
Crisp, elegant pineapple and smoky melon notes are present in this zesty wine. (RP)								
11733	Blanc de Lynch Bages		Pauillac	87-89				\$54.99
Melon, grapefruit and lemon zest notes are present in this medium-bodied, dry, refreshing white. (RP)								
11817	Carruades de Lafite	2nd Wine of Lafite Rothschild	Pauillac	91-94	93-96	17.5	17.5	\$288.99
Remarkably tight, offering black currant and sanguine notes laced with sandalwood and roasted fig. This is also tight-grained on the finish and is really long, with the acidity just going on and on. It only has 10% new oak. (WS)								
11787	Clerc Milon	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	93-96	93-96	17	18	\$112.50
Offers a more rounded feel, with cassis, black licorice and plum sauce carried by very supple but substantial tannins and terrific acidity. The long finish has a solid tarry edge. (WS)								
11749	Croizet Bages	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	87-88+	90-91		16	\$53.00
This property is clearly on the upswing although they still have a long way to go to compete with the top end, non-first growth Pauillacs (i.e., the two Pichons, Pontet Canet, Haut-Bages-Liberal, Grand Puy Lacoste and Grand Puy Ducasse). Nevertheless, the 2010 Croizet Bages reveals plenty of classic, sweet creme de cassis, camphor and underbrush characteristics. Medium-bodied with good purity and texture, it may turn out to be as good as the 2009 and 2005. The tannins suggest it has 10-15 years of aging potential. (RP)								

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11577	D'Armailhac	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	89-92	92-95	17	17.5	\$80.00
<p>A blend of 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Franc and the rest Petit Verdot, the 2010 achieved in excess of 14% natural alcohol. It exhibits a dense ruby/purple color along with a pronounced nose of underbrush, cedarwood, licorice and black currants. This attractive, elegant, mid-weight Pauillac should be drinkable early in life and last for 15+ years. (RP)</p>								
11824	Duhart Milon	4eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	94-96	92-95	17+	18	\$160.00
<p>This large estate (190 acres) has been on a qualitative rise for nearly a decade. A classic Pauillac, the opaque purple-colored 2010, a blend of 73% Cabernet Sauvignon and 27% Merlot, reveals beautiful notes of creme de cassis, licorice, tobacco leaf and forest floor. Bigger and more muscular than most previous vintages, this full-bodied Pauillac possesses stunning density as well as intensity. Atypically high in alcohol for this property, it requires 5-7 years of cellaring. (RP)</p>								
11751	Grand Puy Ducasse	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	92-94	90-93	16.5	16.5	\$68.99
<p>The recent resurrection and impressive quality emerging from Grand-Puy-Ducasse is obvious in their prodigious 2010. An inky/blue/purple color is followed by abundant notes of graphite, cassis and blueberry liqueur offered in an opaque, full-bodied, layered, structured wine. This prodigious Pauillac may be the finest wine ever produced at this estate, and is undeniably a sleeper of the vintage as it remains one of the finest values for a classified growth Pauillac. Bravo! (RP)</p>								
11653	Grand Puy Lacoste	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	93-96	92-95	17	18	\$137.00
<p>The greatest Grand Puy Lacoste since the 2005, 2000 and 1990, the fabulous 2010 reveals all the hallmarks of this estate. It boasts a dense purple color along with classic notes of creme de cassis, blueberries, blackberries, crushed rocks and flowers, sweet tannin and an exceptionally full-bodied and multilayered mouthfeel as well as a boatload of tannin. Cellar it for a decade and drink it over the following three decades. (RP)</p>								
11623	Haut Bages Liberal	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	91-93+	91-94	16	17	\$68.99
<p>Shows friendly mocha and roasted tobacco up front, followed by a mouthfilling core of blackberry, plum and cassis. The dense but velvety finish has nice latent grip. (WS)</p>								
11639	Haut Batailley	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	88-90	90-93	16	17	\$67.50
<p>This is ripe, with a lovely beam of cassis and blackberry well-harnessed by seamless acidity. The rounded, enticing finish has a dash of toasty vanilla that's well-embedded. (WS)</p>								
11563	Lacoste Borie	2nd Wine of Grand Puy Lacoste	Pauillac	92-94	90-91			\$35.00
<p>Second wine of Grand Puy Lacoste, a blend of 62% Cabernet Sauvignon, 32% Merlot and 6% Cabernet Franc the Lacoste-Borie displays light briary and blackberry fruit on the nose, just a hint of cold black tea and truffle. Fine definition. The palate is quite supple on the entry, that Merlot adding a pleasant fleshiness to counter the precise Cabernet, very fresh and perhaps "clinical". Very lively and "classic". (RP)</p>								
11818	Lafite Rothschild	1er Cru Classe	Pauillac	98-100	96-99	19.5	20	\$1,495.00
<p>This exceptionally rich, thick Lafite came in with the highest level of natural alcohol (13.5%) ever achieved at Lafite Rothschild. A blend of 84% Cabernet Sauvignon and 16% Merlot, all harvested between October 9 and 14, the 2010 exhibits an extraordinarily dense color, an unctuous texture and sweet black currant fruit intermixed with graphite, charcoal and truffle notes. This wine should be cellared for 10-15 years and drunk over the following 50+ years. (RP)</p>								
11858	Latour	1er Cru Classe	Pauillac	98-100	96-99	19	20	\$1,845.00
<p>This blend of 90.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8.5% Merlot and .5% Cabernet Franc, possesses abundant amounts of everything. It possesses an opaque black/purple color along with an extraordinary perfume of spring flowers, blueberry, blackberry and cassis liqueurs and hints of white chocolate as well as earth intermixed with vague charcoal and truffle-like components. With unreal concentration, full-bodied power, and a precision, freshness and refined level of tannins that are something to behold. (RP)</p>								
11804	Le Petit Mouton	2nd Wine of Mouton Rothschild	Pauillac	90-93	91-94	16	17.5	\$269.00
<p>Offers a solid, muscular beam of raspberry and red currant, with sweet spice and tobacco in the background. The round finish of roasted vanilla is nicely integrated already, and is nicely rounded overall. (WS)</p>								
11823	Les Forts de Latour	2nd Wine of Latour	Pauillac	92-95	93-96	18	18	\$385.00
<p>This comes off as almost sweet, thanks to gentle ripeness and friendly plum sauce, raspberry and cherry compote notes, all backed by an energy that's in reserve. There's latent acidity rippling through the finish, where briar, pastis and graphite lurk as well. Really pure. A noticeable step up from the Pauillac. (WS)</p>								
11704	Lynch Bages	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	95-97	95-98	16	18	\$225.00
<p>The 2010 blew me away on each occasion I tasted it during my two week sojourn in Bordeaux. Tannic and concentrated, this huge Pauillac boasts an inky/purple color as well as impressive notes of creme de cassis, smoke, graphite and spring flowers. This dense, seriously endowed, monstrous Lynch Bages is reminiscent of some of the wines made at this estate in the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s and 1980s. It will require 4-5 years of cellaring and should be drinkable for 3-4 decades. (RP)</p>								
11803	Mouton Rothschild	1er Cru Classe	Pauillac	97-100	99-100	18.5	19.5	\$1,495.00
<p>The 2010 Mouton possesses the highest level of Cabernet Sauvignon (94%) of any wine this estate has produced. Combined with 6% Merlot, the wine achieved 13.9% natural alcohol. This backward, tannic, full-bodied, exceptionally promising 2010 reveals enormous weight along with extravagant levels of precise, fresh boysenberry and creme de cassis fruit. The abundant minerality is due no doubt to the fresh acidity. In need of at least 15 years of cellaring, it will undoubtedly remain an infant at age. (RP)</p>								

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11637	Pedesclaux	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac		90-93	16	16.5	\$54.99
Vibrant, racy and long, this supervivid red has great cut, with raspberry, red currant and iron notes. Pure and stylish, with a lovely floral hint hanging on the finish. Bravo on the turnaround going on here. (WS)								
11600	Pibran	Cru Bourgeois	Pauillac		91-94	16	16.5	\$54.99
Nicely polished, with a fresh, pure beam of kirsch and blackberry fruit, followed by bitter cherry, violet and iron. The finish is long and sleek. (WS)								
11681	Pichon Baron	2eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	97-99+	95-98	18	18.5	\$300.00
A prodigious, blockbuster effort from Pichon Longueville Baron, the 2010 is reminiscent of this estate's titanic offerings in 1989 and 1990, but may be even greater with 30 years of longevity. Black/purple-colored with super concentration and richness as well as full body, it offers an awesome display of creme de cassis, blackberry liqueur, licorice, camphor and spring flowers. Stunningly pure and unctuously textured with high but sweet, well-integrated tannins. (RP)								
11748	Pichon Lalande	2eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	92-95+	92-95	17	18.5	\$319.00
A blend of 66% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc and 3% Petit Verdot, it reveals an opaque purple color as well as a thick, unctuous style with fresh blackberry and cassis fruit intermixed with hints of graphite, herbs and coffee. The vintage's tell-tale minerality is present in this structured, tannic, backward effort. (RP)								
11661	Pontet Canet	5eme Cru Classe	Pauillac	96-100	96-99		18.5	\$237.00
This beauty consists of, 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot and the rest Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot . A remarkable, full-bodied effort. Dense purple to the rim, it offers classic notes of creme de cassis, graphite, subtle smoke and spring flowers. Multidimensional with massive concentration as well as vivid purity, precision and freshness, this is another astonishing effort from an obsessive/compulsive proprietor who is doing everything right. (RP)								
11651	Reserve de La Comtesse de Lalande	2nd Wine of Pichon Lalande	Pauillac	89-91	89-92	16.5	16.5	\$80.00
A blend of 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 46% Merlot, and the rest Petit Verdot, this wine, which hit 13.5% alcohol (the 2009 was 13%) displays loads of chocolatey, herbal, black currant fruit and mocha-infused notes in a dark plum/purple-tinged, fleshy style. Drink it over the next decade. (RP)								
11530	Beychevelle	4eme Cru Classe	St Julien	90-92	91-94	17	17.5	\$132.00
Flowery blueberry, red and black currant fruit notes intermixed with a hint of damp earth emerge from this wine's moderate aromatics. Elegant with medium body as well as a classic Beychevelle style with high tannins and a more restrained structure, the elevated tannins suggest 7-8 years of cellaring will be necessary. It should keep for 25-30 years thereafter. (RP)								
11683	Branaire Ducru	4eme Cru Classe	St Julien	93-95	92-95	17	17.5	\$110.00
A fabulous effort, the 2010's notes of raspberry jam, black currants, crushed rocks and spring flowers are followed by a wine of impeccable purity, medium to full-bodied power, sweet tannin and stunning texture and length. With superb richness and beautiful overall equilibrium, it will benefit from 4-5 years of cellaring and keep for 25 or more years. (RP)								
11687	Clos du Marquis	2nd Wine of Leoville Las Cases	St Julien	91-93	92-95	17	17	\$92.00
A graceful wine, with beautiful violet and raspberry aromas and flavors. Very fresh and pure, with the floral edge lingering through the finish. Long and supple. (WS)								
11875	Du Glana		St Julien		90-91		16	\$36.00
Chateau Du Glana is a well-balanced, velvety, and complex wine enjoyable young, but also with excellent ageing potential (over ten years). Crushed fruit nose, supple fruit, good tannins, good effort. (DEC)								
11788	Ducru Beaucaillou	2eme Cru Classe	St Julien	96-98+		18	19	\$355.00
A blend of 90% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Merlot, the wine has a surprisingly lower pH (3.62) than the 2009, or the 2005 for that matter. A truly remarkable wine, with a dense purple color and a beautiful nose of creme de cassis, spring flowers and crushed rock, this full-bodied, sensationally concentrated wine has massive richness, high but very sweet tannin, and stunning purity and depth. It should drink well for 30-40 years. (RP)								
11716	Gloria	Cru Bourgeois	St Julien	91-93	92-95	17	17.5	\$68.99
Mouthfilling, with a core of plum and black currant fruit that expands in the mouth, while tobacco, graphite and roasted fig notes filling in. Long, with a dark tarry edge on the finish. (WS)								
11664	Gruaud Larose	4eme Cru Classe	St Julien	92-94	93-96	16	18	\$115.00
This gets my nod as the finest Gruaud Larose since the 2000 and 1990. The opaque purple-colored 2010 exhibits copious notes of Asian plum sauce, spice box, creme de cassis, loamy soil and a beefy/meaty character. It is full-bodied, dense and powerful, with stunning purity and no evidence of brett (a characteristic of the great Gruaud Larose wines made in the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s). Given the 2010's tannin profile, it will require 5-8 years of cellaring and should keep for three decades. (RP)								

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11794	La Croix de Beaucaillou	2nd Wine of Ducru Beaucaillou	St Julien	90-92		17	17	\$85.00
This represented 55% of the production and now, under Bruno Borie, comes from the same vineyard almost every year. Sweet mulberry and boysenberry fruit intermixed with licorice, forest floor and earth are followed by an opulently textured, fleshy wine that is dense and outstanding. It should drink well for 10-15 years. (RP)								
11652	Lagrange	3eme Cru Classe	St Julien	89-92	90-93	16.5	17	\$96.00
This is precise, with pure, unadorned cassis, blackberry and black cherry fruit flavors woven with toasty vanilla and anise. Offers a lovely, rounded feel, despite its obvious weight. Very long. (WS)								
11591	Lalande Borie		St Julien	89-92		16	16	\$37.50
Another sleeper of the vintage from Bruno Borie, this 2010 is atypically powerful, rich and concentrated, with loads of sweet black currants, mocha and a hint of caramel. Deep, lush, succulent, and fruit-driven, it is a wine to drink in its first 10-12 years of life. (RP)								
11603	Le Petit Caillou	3eme Cru Classe	St Julien					\$40.00
This blend of 58% Merlot, 29% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot and the remainder Cabernet Franc offers a chewy bite of black fruit, cassis and tannins.								
11806	Le Petit Lion du Las Cases		St Julien	87-88	91-94	17	16	\$90.00
This 2010 finished with 13.7% natural alcohol from a blend of 52% Cabernet Sauvignon and the rest primarily Merlot. It has much of the personality of Las Cases, just lighter, softer, and more obviously fruity. This wine should drink nicely for 7-8 years. (RP)								
11727	Leoville Barton	2eme Cru Classe	St Julien	91-93+	94-97	17.5+	18.5	\$167.50
Dark and winy, with a terrific core of plum and macerated black currant fruit woven with a note of black cherry reduction. Tarry but polished. Grippy but velvety. And plenty long. (WS)								
11815	Leoville Las Cases	2eme Cru Classe	St Julien	95-98	95-98	17.5	19.5	\$460.00
As one would expect, this is a powerful, concentrated wine with 13.7% natural alcohol. The pH is quite normal at 3.56, and its relatively high total acidity gives it a classic, fresh, yet backward style. It is a dense purple, full-bodied style of Las Cases, with classic sweet kirsch, graphite and black currant fruit as well as hints of new saddle leather and subtle oak. Backward, layered and multi-dimensional, the wine is stunningly rich, but brooding. Forget it at least until 2020 or later. (RP)								
11674	Leoville Poyferre	2eme Cru Classe	St Julien	95-98	92-95	17.5	18.5	\$209.00
One of the prodigious wines of the vintage, the Cuvelier family has produced an outstanding 2010 that must tip the scales at 14.5+% alcohol. It boasts an opaque purple color in addition to a sweet perfume of spring flowers, black raspberries, creme de cassis and a hint of spicy oak. This seamlessly constructed St.-Julien possesses massive concentration, moderately high tannins, abundant glycerin, an unctuous texture, remarkably fresh acids and wonderful precision. It will benefit from 5-6 years of cellaring. (RP)								
11739	Les Arums de Lagrange	Bordeaux Blanc	St Julien					\$35.00
It is marked by the vividness of the fruit but the balance and volume allow it to age a few years taking notes of honey and toasted almonds.								
11877	Les Fiefs de Lagrange	2nd Wine of Lagrange	St Julien		89-92	16	16	\$40.00
Pure and direct, with a rock-solid beam of cassis, blackberry and sweet spice backed by nice tarry grip on the finish. A very solid second wine. (WS)								
11710	Saint Pierre	4eme Cru Classe	St Julien	95-97+		17		\$125.00
Its black/purple color is accompanied by notes of melted licorice, camphor, blackberries, blueberries, creme de cassis and subtle background oak, amazing concentration, unbelievable opulence and intense, but sweet, well-integrated tannins. Moreover, because of lower pH's and higher total acids across the board in 2010, and despite the high alcohols (this wine's alcohol content must be 14.5+%), the overall impression is one of elegance, freshness and precision. (RP)								
11636	Talbot	4eme Cru Classe	St Julien	91-93	90-93	17	17	\$95.00
Abundant amounts of sweet, up-front fruit give this wine a precocious appeal compared to many of its brethren. It exhibits a dense plum/ruby/purple hue along with sweet boysenberry, black currant, cherry, smoke and licorice aromas and flavors. This deep, medium to full-bodied, classic Talbot should be approachable when released, and age effortlessly for 15 or more years. (RP)								
11667	Talbot Caillou Blanc	Bordeaux Blanc	St Julien		90-91			\$40.00
The rich nose is leesy and nutty with a lower-tones citrus and orange marmalade. The nose carries through to the palate for a light yet rich white with a snap of acid to bring it back to focus. This is a fatter, nuttier style of white. Drink now, especially with shellfish. (WS)								
11487	Fourcas Dupre	Cru Bourgeois	Listrac	90-91		16.5	16	\$24.50
Tasted at the Cru Bourgeois primeur tasting. The Fourcas Dupre has a pure, blackcurrant, dark plum and red cherry-scented nose with good definition, more opulent than its peers. The palate is juicy and supple, fleshy boysenberry and blackcurrant notes with a soft, pleasing finish. Fine. (DEC)								

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11562	Chasse Spleen	Cru Bourgeois	Moulis	88-90	89-92	16	17	\$48.00
Lightly firm plum skin and cherry pit notes weave through the core of plum sauce, currant and blackberry fruit, with a perfumy tobacco-tinged finish. A touch old-school. (WS)								
11590	Poujeaux	Cru Bourgeois	Moulis	90-92	92-93	16.5	16.5	\$48.00
An undeniable sleeper of the vintage, this may be the finest Poujeaux I have tasted in three decades. A crushed rock/mineral character is intertwined with abundant black currant, blackberry, incense and camphor notes in this full-bodied, unctuously textured, elegant, pure effort. It is capable of lasting 15 years. Kudos to new proprietor Philippe Cuvelier (also the owner of St.-Emilion's Clos Fourtet) for resurrecting this well-known estate. (RP)								
11706	Alter Ego	2nd Wine of Palmer	Margaux	90-92	92-95	17	17.5	\$110.00
Velvety and inviting, with lovely dark plum and blackberry fruit, followed by a long, caressing finish. This has some grip too, but it's nicely integrated. Should have some staying power. (RP)								
11480	Angludet	Cru Bourgeois	Margaux	89-91		17	17	\$52.00
The dark plum/purple-hued 2010 Angludet is unquestionably a sleeper of the vintage. Sweet licorice-infused black currant, asphalt and smoke aromas emerge from this heady, ripe, well-endowed cuvee. Sweet tannin, lush fruit and loads of glycerin suggest this lovely Margaux will drink well during its first 12-15 years of life. (RP)								
11689	Baron de Brane Margaux	2nd Wine of Brane Cantenac	Margaux	97-99+	89-92		16	\$37.00
Bright and intensely floral, with a lovely violet aroma and long, rich plum sauce, blackberry and currant notes. There's lush toast, but it's nicely integrated. Very suave. (WS)								
11649	Boyd Cantenac	3eme Cru Classe	Margaux	91-93	90-93	16	17.5	\$90.00
An opaque blue/purple color is accompanied by impressively sweet floral notes intermixed with black currant and blackberry fruit. Medium to full-bodied with high but round tannins, the 2010 Boyd-Cantenac is exceptionally well-endowed, textured and pure. This under-the-radar estate (a classified growth in the famous 1855 rankings) never seems to catch the attention of consumers. It deserves better. Enjoy the 2010 for 25 or more years. (RP)								
11737	Brane Cantenac	2eme Cru Classe	Margaux	93-96	90-93	17	18	\$129.00
A fresh, floral style, with violet and rose aromas followed by a mix of vibrant red currant and blackberry fruit. The dusty finish has good underlying acidity, keeping it racy. (WS)								
11648	Cantenac Brown	3eme Cru Classe	Margaux	92-94+	91-94	15.5	17.5	\$92.00
One of the finest Cantenac Browns made in the last half century, the 2010 may be even more impressive than the 2009. Sweet, fat notes of blackberries, forest floor and earth emerge from this inky/purple-colored beauty. The tannins are slightly more serious and elevated than in the 2009, but the big, bold, full-bodied 2010 represents a remarkable turn around for this estate, which has now produced three straight top-flight vintages. It should drink well for 25-35 years. (RP)								
11561	Chevalier de Lascombes	2nd Wine of Lascombes	Margaux		87-90		15.5	\$45.00
A rather ripe, modern style, with a big ball of red and black licorice leading the way for dark linzer torte and plum sauce notes. A bit obvious on the finish, with a strong toasty edge. (WS)								
11501	Clos du Jaugueyron	Cru Bourgeois	Margaux	85-87				\$27.50
This medium-bodied, elegant wine exhibits noticeable tannins along with good, fresh, cedary, black currant fruit intermixed with a hint of rocks. (RP)								
11874	Desmirail	3eme Cru Classe	Margaux	88-90	91-92	17.5	16.5	\$49.00
A blend of 60% Cabernet Sauvignon and 40% Merlot, raised in 40% new oak, the Desmirail has a slightly herbaceous nose but nothing to get worried about as there is some attractive earthy fruit to complement it. The palate is medium-bodied with slightly chalky tannins, crisp blackberry, graphite and cedar, quite conservative and masculine towards the finish. Fine. (RP)								
11774	d'Issan	3eme Cru Classe	Margaux	94-96	89-92	17.5	18	\$115.00
Emmanuel Cruse has done a superb job at this moated castle on the southern approach to the appellation of Margaux. The dense blue/purple-tinged 2010 reveals notes of violets, blue and black fruits, a striking minerality, excellent purity, texture and length, a medium to full-bodied mouthfeel and noticeable but sweet, well-integrated tannins. It should drink well in 5-6 years and last 25-35. (RP)								
11678	du Tetre	5eme Cru Classe	Margaux	87-89	90-93	16.5	17	\$60.00
This is textbook Margaux, with a supple, velvety feel and a stylish core of plum, red currant and black cherry fruit laced with perfumy spice and followed by lightly dusty tannins. (WS)								
11650	Dufort Vivens	2eme Cru Classe	Margaux	89-91	90-93		18	\$80.00
Sappy and intense, with a tongue-coating feel to the crushed plum and cherry preserve notes. Long and silky through the finish, with black tea and iron lurking. (WS)								
11583	Ferriere	3eme Cru Classe	Margaux		89-92	16.5	17	\$56.99
This delivers a solid beam of raspberry and cassis, with graphite and spice notes. Lightly firm through the finish, with dusty tannins hanging on the end. (WS)								

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11629	Giscours	3eme Cru Classe	Margaux	92-95	94-95	17.5	17.5	\$112.00
<p>The over-achieving Giscours has turned in a great performance in 2010, which possesses an opaque purple color as well as notes of licorice, black truffles, sweet blackberry and cassis fruit, flowers and soil undertones. It is very full-bodied and exceptionally opulent, fat and round, but the vintage's acids, precision, high glycerin, alcohol and extract are all present. (RP)</p>								
11734	Lascombes	2eme Cru Classe	Margaux	94-97		17.5	17.5	\$169.99
<p>This 2010 boasts a dense purple color along with an extraordinarily uplifted set of aromatics consisting of blueberry liqueur, black cherries, subtle smoke, crushed rocks and restrained oak. Massive fruit, an unctuous texture, a skyscraper-like mid-palate and stunning definition (because of good acids and a modest pH) have resulted in a formidable wine that will benefit from 5-6 years of cellaring, and should keep for 30 years. A brilliant effort! (RP)</p>								
11641	Malescot St. Exupery	3eme Cru Classe	Margaux	94-96	93-96		17.5	\$149.00
<p>This estate, which has been on a qualitative crescendo for over ten years, has made a prodigious 2010 that ranks alongside their 2009, 2005 and 2000. A gorgeous fragrance of spring flowers, cedarwood, black and red currants and hints of spice box and subtle oak is followed by a generously endowed, full-bodied, opulent wine with layers of concentration, a restrained yet exuberant personality, superb fruit purity and a long finish. There is plenty of tannin and wonderful freshness. (RP)</p>								
11791	Margaux	1er Cru Classe	Margaux	96-98	96-99	18	20	\$1,495.00
<p>This blend of 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot and the rest Cabernet Franc (representing only 38% of the total production) has the classic, quintessential Margaux character of spring flowers, almost cool-climate precision, medium body, and a seamless integration of tannin, wood and alcohol. The blue and black fruit characteristics are present, and the wine restrained. The most measured and polished of all the first growths I tasted. (RP)</p>								
11597	Marojallia		Margaux	92-94	92-95			\$119.00
<p>Almost viscous in its richness, with dark crushed plum, anise and blackberry notes and loads of velvety tannins on the briar and black tea-tinged finish. This has some depth and muscle. An unabashedly modern style. (WS)</p>								
11721	Marquis de Terme	4eme Cru Classe	Margaux		91-94		17	\$64.99
<p>This is tangy, with iron-driven cut through the core of lush plum, blackberry and cassis fruit. Long and silky, with nice latent depth. Really opens up. (WS)</p>								
11554	Monbrison	Cru Bourgeois	Margaux	90-93	90-93	16	17	\$49.00
<p>A bright, floral style, with violet and singed iron notes up front, followed by silky-textured red currant, black cherry and damson plum fruit. An iron note frames the finish. (WS)</p>								
11790	Palmer	3eme Cru Classe	Margaux	95-97	95-98	18	19.5	\$475.00
<p>This dense red offers a big core of currant, plum and cassis, with lots of buried violet and anise. Really loaded on the back end, this is very muscular, but still velvety. Features saturated fruit on the finish, but stays restrained. Should be very long-lived. (WS)</p>								
11792	Pavillon Blanc du Margaux	2nd (White) Wine of Margaux	Margaux		95-96	17	18	\$235.00
<p>This is the dry white wine of Chateau Margaux. Produced from 100% Sauvignon Blanc with 60% of the production sold off in bulk. The cooler summer temperatures of 2010 suited the Sauvignon Blanc variety and this has lovely freshness to balance the spicy and exotic pineapple and grapefruit flavours. Good lingering length. (JR)</p>								
11862	Pavillon Rouge du Margaux	2nd Wine of Margaux	Margaux	90-92		17	18	\$259.00
<p>The 2010 Pavillon Rouge (66% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot and the rest Petit Verdot) hit 14% natural alcohol. Paul Pontallier proclaimed it the best they have ever made, representing only 38% of production. (This wine also undergoes a serious selection.) Plenty of black fruits, violets, forest floor and earth are present in this wonderfully textured, opulent wine, which will provide immediate gratification when it is released in a year. It should drink nicely for up to 15 or more years. (RP)</p>								
11696	Prieure Lichine	4eme Cru Classe	Margaux	92-94		17	17	\$85.00
<p>Wonderful projected aromatics of blue, red and black fruits, licorice, flowers and subtle oak. Silky tannins, a sexy, generous, opulent attack, mid-palate and finish, no hard edges and well-integrated acidity, tannin and alcohol (14.5%) are all found in this impressive Margaux. Give it 2-5 years of cellaring and drink it over the following 25. It is potentially one of the longest lived wines made at Prieure Lichine since some of their classic efforts from the sixties. (RP)</p>								
11746	Rauzan Gassies	2eme Cru Classe	Margaux	90-93	90-91		17.5	\$85.00
<p>One of the strongest efforts from Rauzan-Gassies in many years, the 2010 may turn out to be a sleeper of the vintage. It reveals an opaque purple color along with notes of incense, licorice, black currants and blackberries, impressive concentration, soft tannins and good acidity. This is a solidly made, full throttle Margaux to cellar for 4-5 years and enjoy over the following 25 years. (RP)</p>								
11736	Rauzan Segla	2eme Cru Classe	Margaux	92-94	94-97	17.5	18.5	\$195.00
<p>This is a step ahead of the pack, thanks to its dense, sappy core of kirsch, blackberry and plum sauce that's offset by mouthwatering acidity and a long iron note on the finish. This has weight, but stays velvety and pure, with impressive length. (WS)</p>								
11552	Sirene de Giscours	2nd Wine of Giscours	Margaux				16	\$34.00
<p>Fine cassis fruit and good elegance and all Margaux finesse, lovely texture and balance. (DEC)</p>								

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11605	Rahoul		Graves/Pessac Leognan	87-88		16	16.5	\$22.00
79% Merlot, 19% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 2% Merlot. I like the mineral and berry character with hints of currants. Full to medium body with fine tannins and a fresh finish. JS. (WS)								
11606	Rahoul Blanc		Graves/Pessac Leognan	88-90		16.5	16.5	\$23.50
Lots of honeyed melons and waxy citrusy notes emerge from this medium-bodied, intense dry white. (RP)								
11729	Bouscaut Rouge	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan			16.5	16.5	\$43.00
Really rather luscious with both ripeness and freshness. Light inkiness. Sinewy palate that will take time. Suave fresh fruit. Very appetizing. (JR)								
11638	Carbonnieux Red	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	91-93	89-92	16.5		\$50.00
Abundant minerality, spicy unsmoked cigar tobacco and red and black currant characteristics emerge from this medium to full-bodied Pessac-Leognan. Displaying more power, depth, muscle and tannin than usual, this opaque ruby/purple-hued 2010 should evolve for 20-25 years. (RP)								
11670	Carbonnieux White	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan		89-92	16.5	17	\$52.00
Rounded and inviting, with hints of pear and apple giving way to more citrus, floral and straw notes. This has good range, with a brisk edge waiting in the wings on the finish. (WS)								
11828	Clarte de Haut Brion Blanc	2nd Wine of Haut Brion White	Pessac Leognan	90-92		17	17	\$145.00
A blend of 83% Semillon and 17% Sauvignon Blanc, this effort reveals lots of oily citrus, orange marmalade, melons and honeysuckle characteristics. It should drink well young and last for 10-12 years. (RP)								
11731	de Fieuzal Blanc		Pessac Leognan	92-94	89-92	17		\$74.99
A brilliant effort and one of the great dry whites of the vintage is this honeyed, complex, melony, full-bodied effort that should drink well for 25+ years. (RP)								
11699	de Fieuzal Rouge	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	90-92	90-93	17		\$62.50
Sappy and intense, with kirsch and crushed raspberry fruit aromas and flavors and superfresh acidity driving underneath. Features lots of spice and violet notes on the finish. (WS)								
11646	Domaine de Chevalier Red	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	91-93+	92-95	17.5+	18.5	\$112.00
A blend of 63% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot and the rest Petit Verdot. A youthful inky/blue/purple color is opaque to the rim and the nose offers elegant aromas of crushed rocks, acacia flowers, boysenberries, black currants and subtle toast as well as oak. This thick, rich, tannic, backward wine will require patience. I would guess 7-10 years of cellaring will be essential, but this is a 30- to 40- year wine. (RP)								
11647	Domaine de Chevalier White	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	92-94+	91-94	17.5+	18.5	\$150.00
Composed of 85% Sauvignon Blanc and 15% Semillon, and in need of 8-10 years of cellaring, this is one of the most backward dry whites of the vintage with unbelievable minerality and personality. (RP)								
11709	Haut Bailly	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	95-97	95-96	17	18.5	\$210.00
An opulently styled effort, the blue/purple-hued 2010 offers a sweet kiss of graphite, charcoal, black cherries, black currants and compelling forest floor-like notes. A seamless integration of acidity, tannin, alcohol and oak is found in this full-bodied yet delicate, precise 2010. There is plenty of tannin but it is well-hidden behind the extravagant quantity of fruit. Give it 5-7 years and drink it over the following 35-40 years. (RP)								
11726	Haut Bergey Rouge	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	92-94	92-95			\$50.00
Seriously ripe, with dense, succulent plum and black currant fruit paste notes, laced with extra spice, anise and tar. This has great drive and cut, and is still a bit compact. Seems set for the longer haul. A seriously good showing for this estate. (WS)								
11814	Haut Brion	1er Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	98-100	96-99	18++	19.5	\$1,545.00
A blend of 57% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Merlot and the rest Cabernet Franc that came in at 14.6% alcohol, the 2010 boasts an opaque purple color as well as a gorgeous perfume of scorched earth/burning embers, blueberries, black currant liqueur and crushed rocks. Full and opulent with nobility, finesse, purity and elegance, this amazing effort possesses extraordinary levels of extract as well as formidable, but sweet, well-integrated tannins. 8-10 years of cellaring and should drink well for 50+ years. (RP)								
11835	Haut Brion White	1er Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	94-97	94-97	18.5	19	\$1,500.00
A blend of 54% Sauvignon Blanc and 46% Semillon, this singular, compelling white exhibits notes of orange blossoms, lemons, melons, crushed rocks, spice and flowers. It is a sensational, provocative, full-bodied dry white to enjoy over the next 40 years. (RP)								
11829	La Chapelle Mission Haut Brion	2nd Wine of La Mission Haut Brion	Pessac Leognan	91-94	92-95	17	17	\$250.00
Offers a very sleek, seamless feel, with a rush of violet and pastis notes and a dense, sappy, plum-filled finish. Not as overtly bright as many other 2010s, but you know the freshness is there since this is big yet light on its feet. (WS)								

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11492	La Garde		Pessac Leognan	87-89	88-91	16	16.5	\$32.00
<p>This elegant blend of 67% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot and the rest Petit Verdot offers up raspberry and blueberry notes and a hint of acacia flowers, along with some minerality and subtle smoke. A classic Graves that delivers medium-bodied flavors with very good concentration and purity, it should drink nicely for at least a decade or more. (RP)</p>								
11830	La Mission Haut Brion	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	98-100	94-97	18	19	\$1,495.00
<p>One of the most powerful La Missions ever produced, the 2010, a blend of 62% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot and 1% Cabernet Franc, achieved 15% natural alcohol. Nevertheless, the pH is normal which gives the wine an extraordinary precision, freshness and vibrancy despite its massive size. A blue/purple color is followed by a classic nose of blueberry liqueur, creme de cassis, spring flowers and crushed rocks. This monumental, full-bodied, incredibly rich will need a decade of cellaring. (RP)</p>								
11827	La Mission Haut Brion Blanc	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	93-95+	94-97	18.5	19.5	\$1,400.00
<p>Composed of 81% Semillon and 19% Sauvignon Blanc, this 2010 exhibits crisp, zesty acids as well as a full-bodied mouthfeel offering lots of lanolin, sealing wax, honeyed Mandarin oranges and lemon oil. This sensational effort has 30-40 years of aging potential. (RP)</p>								
11750	Larrivet Haut Brion Blanc		Pessac Leognan	90-92			16.5	\$60.00
<p>This cuvee offers complex, forward fig, melon and honeysuckle notes as well as 10 years of aging potential. (RP)</p>								
11719	Larrivet Haut Brion Rouge		Pessac Leognan	87-89+		17+		\$52.00
<p>A dark plum/ruby/purple color is accompanied by hints of graphite, blueberries, tobacco and herbs in this medium to full-bodied 2010. It possesses rugged tannins as well as good freshness, depth and ripeness, but appears to be slightly disjointed and in need of more identity. There is plenty going on, but at present, this wine is primary and earthy. (RP)</p>								
11825	Le Clarence de Haut Brion	2nd Wine of Haut Brion	Pessac Leognan	90-93	93-96	17	17.5	\$250.00
<p>This is juicy and still compact, with a big core of plum sauce, pastis and graphite, followed by lots of kirsch and sweet spice on the finish. Still needs to unwind. (WS)</p>								
11582	Le Thil Comte Clary Red		Pessac Leognan	91-93	90-93	17		\$29.00
<p>A stunning sleeper of the vintage, this blend of 75% Merlot and 25% Cabernet Sauvignon was made by winemaking guru/consultant Stephane Derenoncourt. The wine's 14.5% alcohol tells you something about its amazing richness and intensity. Aromas of smoke, lead pencil shavings, sweet kirsch and black currants soar from the glass of this medium to full-bodied, opulent, fleshy wine. Some tannin lurks beneath the surface, but the overall impression is one of opulence and extravagance. (RP)</p>								
11596	Les Carmes Haut Brion		Pessac Leognan	88-90	93-94		17	\$89.00
<p>This attractive, finesse-styled wine exhibits a dark ruby/purple color as well as smoky blue fruits intermixed with a hint of menthol, medium body and an elegant, restrained style. The tannins are noticeable, but they are not terribly intense for a 2010. Give this one 2-3 years in the cellar and drink it over the following 10-15 years. (RP)</p>								
11720	Malartic Lagraviere Red	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	92-94	91-94	17		\$85.00
<p>A beautiful wine from proprietor Alexandre Bonnie's 115-acre vineyard, this blend of 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, 45% Merlot and the rest Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot hit 14% natural alcohol. The Cabernet Sauvignon harvest was late, ending on October 18. The wine's dense purple color is followed by aromas of vanilla, smoked herbs, tobacco leaf, black currants and blackberries. This rich, elegant Pessac-Leognan is loaded with potential. (RP)</p>								
11698	Malartic-Lagraviere White	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	93-95	90-93		18.5	\$107.50
<p>A spectacular blend of 85% Sauvignon Blanc and 15% Semillon offers lots of honeyed melons, tropical fruit and subtle oak. Brilliant! (RP)</p>								
11692	Pape Clement Red	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	93-95	93-96		18.5	\$219.00
<p>A flashy, modern style, with lots of dark fig, anise and graphite notes, pushed by more black currant sauce and tar. Ample toast runs through the finish, but this has plenty of raw material. (WS)</p>								
11691	Pape Clement White	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	93-96	92-95		18	\$232.00
<p>A sensational blend of 60% Sauvignon Blanc and 40% Semillon with nearly 14% natural alcohol, this superb, honeyed effort exhibits orange marmalade, lemon custard and exotic tropical fruit notes. (RP)</p>								
11654	Smith Haut Lafitte	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	95-97	93-96	17.5		\$175.00
<p>A blend of 64% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, and the rest Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc, the wine has an inky/purple color and an extraordinary nose of graphite, blackberries, cassis, licorice, smoke, and camphor. The unbelievable skyscraper-like texture, stunning purity, and formidable intensity make for a remarkably rich, long, full-bodied wine that is classic Graves, but at the same time a staggering 2010. Anticipated maturity: 2015-2035+. (RP)</p>								
11686	Smith Haut Lafitte White	Cru Classe	Pessac Leognan	92-95	92-95	17	18	\$153.00
<p>Another phenomenal wine from the Cathiards, this rich 2010 exhibits lemon custard, melon, tropical fruit and a touch of smoky oak. It should last 20+ years. (RP)</p>								

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11534	Bastor Lamontagne		Barsac/Sauternes	90-91			16	\$37.50
80% Semillon, 20% Sauvignon Blanc, 30% oak. Golden colour, rich, creamy, lots of sugar. The alcohol level is perhaps just under the level necessary for the best balance for long ageing. (DEC)								
11542	Caillou	2eme Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes		88-90	17		\$48.00
Pale, very aromatic and fresh, very refined with splendidly integrated sugar, wonderful quality of fruit, so pure, by far the best Caillou in more than 20 years.								
11587	Carmes de Rieussec	2nd Wine of Rieussec	Barsac/Sauternes					\$40.00
The second wine of chateau Rieussec is selected from the same bases used for the great wine. Its permanent characteristic is a beautiful ample and aromatic balance with a lot of citrus fruits.								
11725	Climens	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	94-96		18		\$177.99
Berenice Lurton and her team managed to pick the crop just hours before rains fell on October 23. Tasting through every one of their lots in 2010, there was a theme of tautness, racy acidity and spice. Focusing upon two batches representing about 14% of the harvest, there was patently exquisite balance and a sense of concentrated but efficient power, counterbalanced by immense purity and effervescence. (RP)								
11532	Clos Haut Peyraguey	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	90-92			19	\$74.99
The Clos Haut Peyraguey has a tight, well-defined bouquet with subtle notes of honey, lime flower and brioche. The palate is medium-bodied with fine acidity and a tangible sense of tension, with touches of spice and lemongrass towards the finish. This is an intellectual Clos Haut Peyraguey that might surprise a few people after bottling. (RP)								
11579	Coutet Barsac	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	93-95	93-96	18	19	\$115.00
Really ripe and fleshy, offering delicious glazed peach, apricot and honey notes, with lots of orange blossom and fig and a very rich finish. Starting to take shape now too. Very impressive. (WS)								
11526	d'Arche	2eme Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	91-93				\$49.00
The Chateau d'Arche has an attractive nose with subtle notes of lemon curd, almond and pear, struck through with impressive delineation and lift. The palate is medium-bodied with good weight and tension, fine focus and minerality, leading to a fresh vibrant, quite floral finish with purity and a decent (although not great) level of botrytis. This is an accomplished Sauternes from an estate that has raised its game in recent vintages. (RP)								
11601	de Fargues		Barsac/Sauternes	94-96	92-95	17	17.5	\$195.00
The Chateau de Fargues has a very pure nose of clear honey, lemon curd and passion fruit all with fine delineation and focus. The palate is medium-bodied with a citrus-driven entry with touches of lime, passion fruit and grapefruit. It has great focus and drive. It has a crescendo of flavours that embrace quince, seville orange, tangerine and spice. There is wonderful persistency towards the powerful finish. (RP)								
11675	de Myrat	2eme Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	91-93	91-93		17	\$50.00
The nose is very pure, with honey, passion fruit and quince, whilst the palate demonstrates great freshness and vitality, zippy acidity, with real race towards the linear finish. This holds great promise for the future. (RP)								
11575	Doisy Daene (375ml)	2eme Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	92-94	88-89	17.5	18.5	\$35.00
This has power in reserve, but relies more on its acidity, with juicy tangerine, clementine, pear and mango notes laced with a hint of green almond. The finish is long, pure and fresh. (WS)								
11595	Doisy Daene L'Extravagant (375ml)		Barsac/Sauternes	95-97	94-97	18		\$329.00
With 12.2% alcohol and 212 gms residual sugar, the L'Extravagant de Doisy-Daene consists of 50% Sauvignon Blanc and 50% Semillon. It has a very taut, controlled bouquet that (pardon the expression) is less extravagant than recent vintages, but is beautifully defined with touches of kiwi fruit, green apple and limestone. The palate is mellifluous on the entry, struck through with brilliant acidity, lending it such tension and freshness that is in tune with the vintage. (RP)								
11525	Doisy-Daene Bordeaux Blanc	Bordeaux Blanc	Barsac/Sauternes	92-94	89-92	17.5	18.5	\$28.00
Still evolving, with lime, verbena and honeysuckle notes and a flash of melon rind on the finish. More backward than most, but shows clear potential. (WS)								
11857	d'Yquem	1er Grand Cru Superieur	Barsac/Sauternes	96-98	93-96	18.5	19	\$950.00
It is a slow-burner, the nose understated at first but unfurling with each passing moment with subtle scents of freshly sliced apricots, clementine, clear honey and white flowers. There is an underlying minerality that really defines this bouquet. The palate is similar to the nose, revealing hidden facets of orange blossom, limestone, white peach and honeysuckle with almost each swirl of the glass. It is after you have swallowed the wine that one comprehends just how brilliant it is. (RP)								
11535	Filhot	2eme Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	91-94	91-94			\$44.00
Fresh, with lots of floral, honey and orange peel notes followed by heather and marzipan and a bright, juicy finish. There's nice freshness in the works, with a very lively, spicy finish. (WS)								

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11541	Guiraud	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	91-93	93-94		18.5	\$68.99
The 2010 Chateau Guiraud has fine purity and minerality on the nose, with touches of passion fruit and dried apricot, later quince joining the fray. The palate is very well-balanced with a lively entry of apricot, quince and a touch of hazelnut. The middle and finish demonstrate fine tension and a lot of freshness. Individual lots seemed to have more race than the final sample, and I suspect it will warrant a higher score once the final blend is in bottle. (RP)								
11512	La Tour Blanche	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	92-94	93-96	17+	19	\$90.00
Gorgeous apricot, ginger, green fig and honey flavors show lots of density, with a sweet, rich finish. A big one in the making. (WS)								
11533	Lafaurie Peyraguey	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	91-93	94-96		18.5	\$74.99
The Chateau Lafaurie Peyraguey has an ebullient nose of tropicana, dried honey and quince that intensifies in the glass whilst maintaining impressive definition. The palate is very well-balanced with superb tension and focus, a sauternes built of minerality and poise, leading to a citrus, almost spicy finish that leaves the mouth tingling with pleasure. (RP)								
11592	Lamothe Guignard	2eme Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	89-91	90-91	17.5		\$39.00
The 2010 Lamothe Guignard has a tightly wound bouquet with touches of lemon curd, spice, pear skin and light honey, good definition and freshness. The palate is fresh and taut on the entry, with good minerality, including notes of citrus lemon, pear, almond and honey. The definition and focus on the finish is accomplished with a vibrant spicy finish that is most appealing. (RP)								
11494	Raymond Lafon		Barsac/Sauternes	92-94		17	17.5	\$60.99
The Chateau Raymond-Lafon has a reticent nose at first that finds its voice after a few swirls of the glass, offering dried mango, almond and a touch of quince, all with fine delineation and intensity. The palate is medium-bodied with good acidity and tension, the minerality really coming through towards the beautifully composed finish. This is a very accomplished Raymond-Lafon that will repay cellaring. (RP)								
11558	Rieussec	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	90-92	93-96	17+	18.5	\$110.00
Extremely rich and bright, with lots of green fig, honey and apricot. Very lush and round, with some serious weight and power in reserve. Remarkably fresh now. Tasted non-blind. (WS)								
11797	Rieussec (375ml)	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	90-92	93-96	17+	18.5	\$56.99
Extremely rich and bright, with lots of green fig, honey and apricot. Very lush and round, with some serious weight and power in reserve. Remarkably fresh now. Tasted non-blind. (WS)								
11540	Sigalas Rabaud	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	91-93	91-93	17	18.5	\$72.99
This has quite a bit of sulphur on the nose at first, but it clears with aeration. It remains tightly-coiled, with lemon, honey, apricot and limestone, demonstrating fine minerality. The palate has great tension on the entry, quite spicy and nutty in style, with a vibrant, zesty finish. This is an exuberant Sigalas-Rabaud with great potential. (RP)								
11482	Suduiraut	1er Cru Classe	Barsac/Sauternes	94-96	93-96	18	19	\$120.00
The Chateau Suduiraut has a comparatively rich, botrytized bouquet with dried honey, pineapple and a touch of Seville orange marmalade, with exquisite definition and focus. The palate is well-balanced, with a viscous texture and a good level of botrytis, demonstrating fine minerality and tautness. Dried mango, quince and spice all interlace the focused finish, which is long in the mouth. Tasted against its peers, this has a higher level of intensity and focus. A superb follow-up to the sensational 2009. (RP)								
11581	S de Suduiraut	Bordeaux Blanc	Bordeaux	94-96	89-92	16.5		\$48.00
Very pale. Racy. Since 2005 they have made a serious amount of this dry wine. Minerally and deep flavoured. 55% Sauvignon Blanc, 45% Sémillon. Fresh and racy. Muscular. (JR)								
Right Bank								
11538	Magdeleine Bouhou		Cotes de Blaye		91-92			\$18.49
What a texture with this wine with dark chocolate, mineral and loads of fruit. So impressive. Loads going on. Big surprise...JS (WS)								
11537	Chateau Villars		Fronsac	90-92	88-91			\$26.00
Another impressive Fronsac, Villars 2010 possesses an extra level of concentration as well as a dense purple color, hints of graphite, spring flowers, blue and black fruits, good tannin, sweet fruit and a lingering finish. It should drink well for a decade or more. (RP)								
11495	La Vieille Cure		Fronsac	91-93	88-91	16.5		\$35.00
This American-owned estate has been on a qualitative roll for over a decade and the 2010 should rival their 2005 and 2009 as one of the finest wines La Vieille Cure has made. The dense plum/ruby/purple-tinged 2010 exhibits beautiful notes of kirsch liqueur, black currants, licorice and forest floor. Lovely texture and purity, medium to full body and superb fruit intensity result in a gorgeous wine that will be accessible early, but capable of lasting 10-15 years. (RP)								
11861	La Chenade		Lalande de Pomerol			16.5		\$25.00
From the gravely soils in Chateau Cruzelle, there is a slightly reductive nose that unfurls nicely in the glass with blackberry, mulberry and dark plum. Good definition. The palate is medium-bodied with very smooth tannins, lovely harmonious dark plum and raspberry fruit with a very precise finish. Great length. Superb wine. (RP)								

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11728	Bellegrave		Pomerol			16		\$49.00
Tasted at the Syndicat de Pomerol. A deep purple/garnet colour, the Bellegrave '10 has a refined, very pure bouquet with dark berries, boysenberry, crushed stone and just a touch of violet. Good definition and poise, though tightly coiled at the moment. The palate is medium-bodied with a grainy entry, soft supple tannins, quite minerally on the finish where the Cabernet Franc takes over and says: I'm in charge. (RP)								
11685	Clinet		Pomerol	95-98	92-95		17	\$199.00
This wine's opaque purple color is followed by an extraordinary bouquet of boysenberries, blueberries, black currants, licorice, truffles and a hint of asphalt. The wine possesses great intensity, a multidimensional mouthfeel, stunning glycerin and richness, and wonderful freshness as well as precision because of the vintage conditions. This massive Pomerol will age effortlessly for 30-35 years. (RP)								
11656	De Chambrun		Pomerol	91-93	89-92			\$53.00
Chateau Chambrun is emerging as a worthy competitor to what is generally considered to be the finest wine of the appellation, La Fleur de Bouard. Cropped at 21 hectoliters per hectare, and made from a final blend of 94% Merlot and 6% Cabernet Franc, the 2010 is a real blockbuster. Its dense purple color is followed by a big, sweet nose of melted chocolate, espresso roast, blackberries and cassis. Aromatic, rich, unctuously textured and thick, it achieved 14.5% natural alcohol. (RP)								
11700	Fugue de Nenin	2nd Wine of Nenin	Pomerol	87-89	89-92		16.5	\$43.00
Very fresh and silky, with bright plum and raspberry fruit. Enticing and open, this is very tasty and not shy about its ripeness. Tasted non-blind. (WS)								
11481	Gazin		Pomerol	93-95	92-95	17	17.5	\$115.00
Another remarkable effort from Gazin, the big, powerful, dense 2010 boasts an opaque purple color along with loads of black currant and kirsch-like fruit intermixed with licorice, caramel, mocha and toasty oak. This seriously endowed, broodingly backward cuvee requires 6-8 years of cellaring and should keep for three decades or more. (RP)								
11802	La Conseillante		Pomerol	95-98	94-97	17	18.5	\$350.00
A monumental La Conseillante, the 2010 completes a remarkable decade for this estate. Quintessentially floral, this dense purple-colored effort reveals sweet flowery black raspberry and blueberry liqueur notes, more power, muscle and concentration than most vintages and exquisite elegance, purity and personality. Serious tannin lurks beneath the surface, but the overall impression is of a medium to full-bodied, strikingly deep, beautifully pure, well-balanced wine. Give it 3-5 years of cellaring. (RP)								
11707	La Fleur de Gay		Pomerol	90-93	90-93			\$129.00
Velvety from the start, with alluring mocha, raspberry, black tea and crushed plum notes. There's an alluring whiff of smoke on the finish. Builds and builds. Long. (WS)								
11655	La Pointe		Pomerol	89-91	91-94			\$60.00
Muscular, with raspberry and plum sauce notes pushed by velvety but substantial tannins. The long finish is filled with roasted fig and spice. One of the bigger Pomerols in 2010. (WS)								
11627	La Violette		Pomerol	94-97	91-94		18	\$329.00
This tiny jewel of a property consists of five acres planted with 100% Merlot (over 50 years of age) in clay, limestone and gravelly soils, situated between Le Pin and Trotanoy. This offering's dense ruby/purple color is accompanied by sweet aromas of flowers, raspberries and kirsch. With sweet tannins, a full-bodied richness and elegance as well as a sublime lightness, this unusual Pomerol is characterized by its quintessential finesse, elegance and flowery qualities. (RP)								
11668	Le Gay		Pomerol	95-97+	92-95		17.5	\$199.00
A tiny production of around 1,300 cases achieved 13.5% natural alcohol and the final blend was 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc. An inky/blue/purple color is followed by a distinctive perfume of liqueur of rocks, blueberries, blackberries, truffles and a subtle hint of oak. Extremely tannic, full-bodied, structured, masculine and backward with abundant minerality as well as ferocious extract and intensity, this 2010 requires at least a decade of cellaring. It should keep for 3 decades or more. (RP)								
11816	L'Eglise Clinet		Pomerol	96-100		18	18.5	\$650.00
Proprietor Denis Durantou has again produced one of Bordeaux's most profound wines, which seems to be happening routinely at this tiny estate on the Pomerol plateau. Opaque purple to the rim, with a wonderfully sweet nose of mulberry and black fruit, hints of mocha and caramel, and some subtle background oak, the 2010 is very expansive, multi-dimensional, with stunning purity, richness and equilibrium. The finish is very long, with significant tannins, but they are beautifully integrated. (RP)								
11771	L'Evangile		Pomerol	96-98	94-97	18	18.5	\$425.00
Gorgeous raspberry ganache, fig and boysenberry fruit is liberally laced with fruitcake and graphite. Superracy, with linzer torte and red licorice taking over the finish. Very long, with lots going on here already. Tasted non-blind. (WS)								
11711	Petit Village		Pomerol	90-92	89-92		18	\$105.00
The finest wine from this estate since their glorious 1982, the 2010 Petit Village possesses aromas of licorice, black cherries, cassis, truffles and oak. Powerful and deep with a corpulent texture, a silky mouthfeel and a wonderful lushness, it will be drinkable in 2-3 years and last for 15 or more. (RP)								

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11795	Vieux Chateau Certan		Pomerol	96-98	96-99	18.5	19	\$430.00
Super broad and muscular, with lots of dark fig, currant and chocolate notes. A smoky tobacco edge on the back end is starting to emerge, and this begins to gush linzer torte and cassis with air. A very big wine. One of the stars of the appellation in 2010. 86 % Merlot, 8 % Cabernet Franc and 6 % Cabernet Sauvignon, almost the same as 2009. (WS)								
11598	Clos Les Lunelles		Cotes de Castillon	90-93	89-92			\$47.50
A sensational wine made from 80% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Cabernet Franc from yields of 25 hectoliters per hectare, and by far the most alcoholic of all the Perse estates (14.4%), this is also the most concentrated and densest wine of the appellation, coming from the clay and limestone plateau of the Cotes de Castillon. A full-bodied beauty, opaque purple in color, with notes of cassis, black raspberry, licorice and camphor, some smoky oak is also present. (RP)								
11599	Clos Puy Arnaud		Cotes de Castillon	90-92	88-91			\$40.00
This 35 acre vineyard is planted primarily on limestone soils. A blend of 70% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2010 was cropped at 24 hectoliters per hectare, and attained 14.5% natural alcohol. Abundant Rhone-like notes of black raspberry, licorice, garrigue and lavender emerge in the aromatics, but in the mouth, the wine is pure Bordeaux in its rich black currant and black raspberry-like fruit intermixed with subtle oak in the background. (RP)								
11672	d'Aiguilhe		Cotes de Castillon	89-92	90-93	16.5	16.5	\$40.00
Dense and structured, with a slightly brooding feel to the coffee, dark plum and fig paste notes. The flesh is round and supple, and the finish long and enticing, with a nice chalky streak waiting to emerge. Should come together quite nicely. (WS)								
11531	La Croix Lartigue		Cotes de Castillon	91-92	88-91			\$30.00
A juicy, pure, unadorned style, with a beam of racy raspberry and black cherry fruit kissed by spice and licorice on the finish. Lightly firm, but pure enough. (WS)								
11754	Carillon De L'Angelus	2nd wine of Angelus	St. Emilion		89-92			\$125.00
Rounded, with ample flesh and lots of braised fig, currant paste and roasted apple wood notes. There's more heft than cut right now, but this is pretty darn solid, with a broad, smoky, tobacco-filled finish. (WS)								
11839	Angelus	1er Grand Cru (B)	St.Emilion	94-96	94-97	17.5	18.5	\$524.99
This is really fine, with gorgeous mouthfeel to the notes of blueberry, plum and black cherry preserves. Shows alluring black tea and incense hints in the background, with ample, iron-tinged grip on the finish. This has density and elegance. Impressive. (WS)								
11855	Ausone	1er Grand Cru (A)	St.Emilion	98-100	94-97	18.5	19.5	\$2,595.00
The 2010 Ausone is unquestionably extraordinary. There are 1,500 cases of this beauty, which exhibits an inky/blue/purple color as well as an exotic, seamless bouquet of incense, Asian spices, blueberries, raspberries and blackberries. Full-bodied with a striking liqueur of minerality as well as a magical combination of complexity, substance and nobility, it reveals softer tannins than I expected for this vintage. It should be drinkable in 6-8 years and keep for a half century. (RP)								
11755	Barde Haut	Grand Cru Classe	St. Emilion	91-94	90-93			\$54.00
Dark and dense, showing lots of fig, anise and blackberry aromas and flavors, with plenty of graphite driving through on the finish. This has serious density and range. (WS)								
11836	Beausejour Duffau Lagarosse	1er Grand Cru (B)	St.Emilion	96-100	93-96		17	\$450.00
Composed of 73% Merlot, 23% Cabernet Franc and 4% Cabernet Sauvignon, the 2010 achieved a remarkably high 15% natural alcohol. However, the high alcohol is completely hidden by the wine's freshness, high acids and modest pH. A remarkable nose of blueberries, blackberries, crushed chalk, acacia flowers, licorice and truffles is accompanied by an unbelievable minerality on the palate, full-bodied power, amazing texture, a multidimensional personality and a 50+ second finish. (RP)								
11743	Bellevue	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	92-94				\$110.00
From a fabulous location on the south/southwest slope near such notable estates as the two Beausejours and Angelus, this 15-acre vineyard has produced 1,500 cases from yields of 24 hectoliters per hectare. A blend of 98% Merlot and 2% Cabernet Franc, it offers up aromas of crushed rocks, black raspberries, black cherries and cassis. An opulent, full-bodied St.-Emilion displaying sweeter tannins than normal, this impressively endowed, pure wine is capable of lasting 20-25 years. (RP)								
11812	Bellevue Mondotte	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	93-95	93-96			\$500.00
This sports the ample, fleshy, powerful core of the vintage, with dark blue and black fruits, but has extra drive, with mouthwatering acidity and lots of minerality cutting through on the finish. Shows great mouthfeel and purity. (WS)								
11695	Canon	1er Grand Cru (B)	St.Emilion	92-94+	91-94		18.5	\$215.00
Composed of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc that hit 15% natural alcohol (a record here), the 2010 offers up perfumed notes of spring flowers, crushed chalk, black currants, black cherries, earth, forest floor and oak. Full-bodied as well as elegant and precise, this brilliant effort needs 5-8 years of cellaring and should drink well for three decades or more. (RP)								
11682	Canon La Gaffeliere	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	92-94	94-97	17	18	\$135.00
Ripe and dense, but very, very sleek, with lovely polish to the texture, which lets the layers of plum sauce, blueberry and boysenberry fruit glide along. Powerful but perfumy. A beauty in the making. (WS)								

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11849	Chapelle d'Ausone	2nd wine of Ausone	St.Emilion	92-94	90-93		18.5	\$350.00
<p>The fact that this second wine is so remarkable tells readers just how stupendous the grand vin must be. The dense purple-hued 2010 Chapelle d'Ausone offers a perfumed nose of blue, red and black fruits, licorice, incense and crushed rocks. Deep, full-bodied, round and generous, this wine will offer magnificent drinking over the next 20-25+ years. (RP)</p>								
11843	Cheval Blanc	1er Grand Cru (A)	St.Emilion	96-98+	95-98	18.5+	20	\$1,874.99
<p>The 2010 Cheval Blanc contains 13.8% alcohol, which is very high for this estate, and has an unusually high percentage of Cabernet Franc in the final blend (56% versus 44% Merlot). Yields were tiny, adding to the richness and intensity already instilled by the drought of summer and resulting in tiny berries. In the style of some of the great Cheval Blancs of the late 1940s, this wine is rich, opulent, full-bodied, and at the risk of sounding like a broken record, as saturated purple in color as any Cheval Blanc I have seen. Mulberries, black currants, fresh minerals, and floral notes jump from the glass of this full-bodied, dense wine. With its tannins, good acidity and surprisingly modest pH, this should be an exceptionally long-lived wine, more backward and delineated than the fatter, more opulent 2009. Drink it over the next 30+ years. (RP)</p>								
11702	Clos de l'Oratoire	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	92-94	92-95		16.5	\$70.99
<p>A ripe, mouthfilling style, with lots of roasted spice, dark fig, currant confiture and mulled plum notes. The juicy, fleshy finish still has some toast to soak up, but there's great underlying acidity. (WS)</p>								
11717	Clos de Sarpe	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	91-94				\$135.00
<p>A blend of 85% Merlot and 15% Cabernet Franc cropped at a low 21 hectoliters per hectare, the 2010 exhibits a dense purple color as well as lots of creme de cassis, kirsch, licorice, incense and chalky notes. Dense and full-bodied as well as more supple than usual, this wine should be drinkable within the balance of my lifetime, which is unusual for this estate. Give it 5-7 years of cellaring, and drink it over the following 20-25 years. (RP)</p>								
11584	Clos des Prince	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion		88-89	16		\$40.00
<p>I like the dark chocolate and berry character. Medium body. Good finish. (WS)</p>								
11663	Clos Dubreuil	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	92-94+	91-94			\$135.00
<p>One of the more seductive, opulent wines of St.-Emilion, 2010 Clos Dubreuil will probably never make old bones, but it will offer irresistible drinking during its first 10 years. Reminiscent of another garagiste St.-Emilion, La Croix de Labrie, it possesses an explosive blockbuster personality oozing with blackberries, cassis, incense, licorice and toasty oak. Opulent, fleshy and concentrated with sweet tannin, it is made in a modern style meant for drinking during its first decade of life. (RP)</p>								
11669	Clos Fourtet	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	95-97	92-95	17.5	18	\$169.00
<p>A blend of 85% Merlot and the rest Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc made from yields of 31 hectoliters per hectare, with 14.5% natural alcohol. The inky/purple-hued 2010 displays a beautiful bouquet of incense, blueberry and blackberry liqueur, licorice and camphor. Full-bodied and opulent with more tannin and glycerin than the massive 2009, the 2010, while less sumptuous than the 2009, is a huge effort that is undoubtedly capable of lasting 30+ years. (RP)</p>								
11604	Clos La Madeleine	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	88-91	89-92		17	\$54.00
<p>Fleshy and forward, with lots of boysenberry, linzer torte and sweet spice notes. Broad and fleshy on the finish. Should be a crowd-pleaser. (WS)</p>								
11560	Dassault	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	89-91	92-93			\$52.00
<p>From the same family that produces the famed French Dassault airplanes, the 2010 Dassault exhibits an attractive opulent, sexy, fat, exuberant, flamboyant personality offering lots of jammy blueberry, black raspberry and cherry fruit intermixed with loamy soil and forest floor characteristics. Pure, juicy, savory and irresistible, this wine should drink well for 10-12 years. (RP)</p>								
11807	Figeac	1er Grand Cru (B)	St.Emilion		93-96		18.5	\$399.99
<p>Exotic fig, boysenberry and blueberry preserves are married to polished tobacco and spice notes in this dense red, which has lots in reserve but is very sleek through the finish for now. It feels as if this will fill out considerably with more élevage. (WS)</p>								
11701	Fleur Cardinale	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	92-95	91-94	17	17	\$64.00
<p>The greatest Fleur Cardinale since the 2005, the super-powerful, rich, opaque purple-colored 2010 exhibits beautiful floral notes intermixed with black raspberry, blueberry and boysenberry fruit as well as a hint of minerality. Exuberant and flamboyant with full-bodied richness, stunning purity and an impressive, textured mouthfeel and finish, this beauty should age effortlessly for 12-20 years. (RP)</p>								
11602	Fombrauge	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	90-92	90-93		16.5	\$45.00
<p>From the largest estate in St.-Emilion (130 acres), the opaque purple-colored 2010 Fombrauge was produced from late harvested fruit (the harvest finished on October 21). It possesses fresh notes of blueberries, red and black currants, lead pencil shavings and espresso roast. Medium to full-bodied and rich with sweet tannin, it should drink nicely for 10-12 years. (RP)</p>								
11547	Fonroque	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	88-90	91-92	16	16.5	\$48.00
<p>Much softer than I would have expected given the past history of this St.-Emilion estate, Fonroque's 2010 has a dense plum/ruby color with notes of loamy soil and sandstone intermixed with black cherry and black currant. Round and generously endowed, but with impressive elegance and purity, this medium to full-bodied shows surprisingly sweet tannin and accessibility, which is generally uncharacteristic of a young Fonroque. This wine should be drinkable in 3-4 years and last for 15 or more. (RP)</p>								

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11536	Godeau	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion		90-91			\$40.00
95% Merlot and 5% Cabernet Franc produce the blend. Deep ruby in color, with a licorice, mineral, floral and jammy black raspberry aromatic profile, the wine ends with a fleshy, ripe black plum filled finish. The wine will be aged in 33% new oak for 12 months.(WS)								
11493	Grand Barrail Lamarzelle Figeac	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	88-90	90-91	15.5	16	\$30.00
This grand cru St.-Emilion is produced from a 33-acre vineyard planted in the gravelly soils near Figeac. Dr. Alain Raynaud is the consulting oenologist and the 2010 may be finest La Marzelle I have yet tasted. A blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc, it exhibits a deep ruby/purple color along with pure, fresh notes of blueberries, black raspberries and spring flowers. Medium to full-bodied, rich and moderately tannic, it should evolve nicely for 10-15 years. (RP)								
11808	Grand Mayne	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	89-91+	91-92		17	\$66.99
The opaque ruby/purple-hued 2010 Grand-Mayne is a beefy, medium to full-bodied effort revealing aggressive, slightly astringent tannins. The wine possesses a terrific color as well as an impressive attack (blueberries, boysenberries and earth), but the tannins cut in on the finish. This cuvee may have been late finishing its malolactic and thus may be easier to evaluate in a few months. (RP)								
11585	La Couspaude	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	91-93	92-93		16.5	\$85.00
One of the finest wines I have tasted from La Couspaude, the oak is far better integrated in the 2010 than in some earlier vintages (which can often be glaringly woody). This is a full-bodied, powerful effort displaying abundant aromas of kirsch liqueur intermixed with loamy soil, earth and spice. Medium to full-bodied and concentrated with light to moderate tannins, it should drink well for 10-15 years. (RP)								
11722	La Dominique	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	92-94	92-95	17.5	17.5	\$74.99
An extrovert, with enticing plum, anise and blackberry fruit and a long, supple finish. There's plenty of stuffing and grip, but this is velvety and nicely assimilated, with plenty in reserve. (WS)								
11677	La Fleur Morange		St.Emilion	91-93				\$102.00
The 2010 La Fleur Morange Mathilde is a 100% Merlot cuvee from a tiny 3+ acre parcel. The average age of the vines is over 50 years, which is somewhat surprising. An inexpensive but delicious wine, it is opaque purple, with explosive blueberry and mulberry fruit as well as hints of white chocolate and espresso. Luscious, round and generous in the mouth, this is a hedonist's St.-Emilion to drink over the next 7-8 years. (RP)								
11688	La Gaffeliere	1er Grand Cru (B)	St.Emilion	91-93	88-91		17.5	\$142.00
The 2010, a blend of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc, is very dense purple, with notes of graphite, charcoal and subtle smoke as well as blueberry and blackberry liqueur. The tell-tale elegance that is always a hallmark of this estate is well-presented in this fresh, lively wine, which is full, rich and intense yet at the same time exhibits loads of minerality and good acidity. This wine will probably shut down after bottling and drink well for 25-30+ years. (RP)								
11693	La Gomerie	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	87-88	89-92		16.5	\$115.00
Rounded and forward, showing friendly blueberry cobbler, linzer torte and warm fruitcake notes, with a blast of licorice on the finish. Yet this is perhaps a touch overextracted, with the finish clamping down slightly. There's plenty of flesh though, so may fill out after élevage. Wait and see. (WS)								
11798	La Mondotte		St.Emilion	96-98	95-98	17	18.5	\$530.00
The 2010's final blend was 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc. It offers unctuously-textured mulberry, boysenberry and blueberry fruit intertwined with notions of espresso roast, toast, smoke and graphite. Full-bodied with a skyscraper-like mouthfeel, silky tannins and a tremendous finish, it will be drinkable in 3-4 years and evolve for 20-25 or more. (RP)								
11624	La Tour du Pin	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	90-93	89-92	16.5	17	\$62.99
This very perfumed style of wine is slightly cooler and fresher than the more opulent, glycerin-imbued 2009. Exhibiting terrific aromatics (black and red fruits, licorice, and graphite), medium to full-bodied flavors, super purity, and a long finish, it should drink nicely when young and evolve for 10-15 years, although I can't see it ever being very long-aged. (RP)								
11607	Laforge	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	90-93	90-91		17	\$52.00
The Laforge, usually composed of approximately 92% Merlot and the rest Cabernet Franc, is intended to be a blend of the three major terroirs in St.-Emilion - the gravel, sand, and hard limestone hillsides. The 2010 exhibits sweet black currant fruit, powdered limestone and toasty oak in a full-bodied, rich, dense style, with the fruit very apparent and the acidity and pH lower than normal, giving the wine excellent precision/definition. This wine should drink nicely for 10-15 years. (RP)								
11712	Larcis Ducasse	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	95-97	92-95	16.5	18	\$125.00
Its dense purple color is followed by notes of black currants, sweet cherries, garrigue, licorice and incense. Already complex, it reveals formidably endowed, full-bodied flavors, a skyscraper-like texture, marvelous depth, moderately high tannins and excellent precision as well as freshness (which gives the wine that 2005-like personality). This 2010 will require 4-5 years of cellaring and should age effortlessly for 20-25 years thereafter. (RP)								

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11549	L'Arrosse	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	91-94	89-92		17.5	\$70.00
<p>The dense ruby/purple-hued 2010 possesses copious notes of graphite, blueberries and black raspberry liqueur intermixed with subtle smoky oak. A more structured effort than other recent vintages, deep, pure, full-bodied and impressive, this property has regained its momentum over the last 4-5 years, and their 2010 is another powerful yet elegant effort that admirably translates its terroir. Give it 4-5 years of cellaring and drink it over the following two decades. (RP)</p>								
11659	Le Carre	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	89-91	91-94		17.5	\$110.00
<p>A blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc aged in 80% new oak, the 2010 exhibits a dense purple color, abundant black fruit characteristics, undeniable sucrosity, a big, juicy texture, beautiful purity and a long finish with the oak present, but subtle. It will probably reveal more tannin after bottling, and should age well for 15 or more years. (RP)</p>								
11660	Le Dome	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	94-96	92-95		18.5	\$199.00
<p>This 1,000-case cuvee is always a candidate for having the highest percentage of Cabernet Franc (80%) of any wine from Bordeaux. The balance is Merlot. A magical wine, the dense purple-colored 2010 exhibits notes of incense, camphor, blueberries, blackberries and spring flowers. With sweet tannin, medium to full body and the high percentage of Cabernet Franc, it should put on additional weight and provide plenty of pleasure over 10-15 years. (RP)</p>								
11844	Le Petit Cheval	2nd Wine of Cheval Blanc	St.Emilion	91-93	91-94	17	17	\$380.00
<p>Supersilky, with lush plum and fig notes and a broad swath of tobacco flowing through the very rounded finish. (WS)</p>								
11658	Les Asteries	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	92-94	91-94		18.5	\$150.00
<p>Another tiny production offering from proprietor Jonathan Maltus, this blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc is produced from a single vineyard situated near La Carre. The 2010 reveals notes of powdered rock as well as red and black fruits, moderately high tannin, good acidity and a fresh, lively, medium to full-bodied personality. Although slightly austere, it has not fleshed out from its late malolactic, but it looks very impressive. (RP)</p>								
11555	Les Gravieres	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	89-92	89-92			\$36.00
<p>Typical of many 2010 Right Bank wines, Les Gravieres (100% Merlot) achieved 14.2% natural alcohol (the alcohols reached all-time records in this vintage). Its dense opaque purple color is accompanied by notes of white chocolate, mocha, espresso roast and extravagant levels of black cherries and black currants. While this is a fleshy cuvee, there is plenty of tannin lurking under the surface and I would not be surprised to see this wine close down after bottling. Deep, full-bodied and impressive. (RP)</p>								
11703	Magrez Fombrauge	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	94-96		17		\$210.00
<p>Harvested extremely late (October 11, 12, 13), this blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc saw 100% new oak, aging on its lees and neither fining nor filtration. The product of visionary Bernard Magrez, it boasts an opaque purple color in addition to copious notes of espresso, white chocolate, blueberries, boysenberries and blackberries. Full-bodied, tannic, youthful and loaded with potential, it may merit an even higher score in a few years. Drink it over the next 20 years. (RP)</p>								
11640	Monbousquet	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	91-93	92-95		16.5	\$68.99
<p>This packs a lot in, with very lushly textured black cherry sauce, blackberry and boysenberry fruit all laced with anise, graphite and fig cake notes. The very long and fleshy finish is not shy at all. (WS)</p>								
11697	Moulin Saint Georges	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion		90-93	17	17	\$64.99
<p>Bright linzer torte and red cherry fruit is laced with firm licorice and spice, with a pretty fruitcake note on the finish. Solid grip. (WS)</p>								
11811	Pavie	1er Grand Cru (B)	St.Emilion	95-98+	94-97	17	18	\$510.00
<p>A classic blend of 70% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc and 10% Cabernet Sauvignon. The alcohol is 14.2%, and also reveals an opaque purple color, notes of roasted coffee, blackberries, cassis, full-bodied power and sensational density, texture and length. There is also a boatload of tannin, so do not expect this 2010 to provide near-term consumption. Somewhat reminiscent of the 2005 in its freshness, precision and intensity, it requires 7-10 years of cellaring and should keep for 3-4 decades. (RP)</p>								
11813	Pavie Decesse	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	94-96	93-96		18	\$300.00
<p>A blend of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc that achieved 14.5% natural alcohol. Sweet berry fruit, barbecue smoke and toasty oak aromas jump from the glass of this inky/purple-colored 2010. Softer and more restrained than previous vintages, this is a beautiful, full-bodied, opulent, stunningly pure, rich wine that should be drinkable in 5-6 years and last for three decades. (RP)</p>								
11714	Pavie Macquin	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	96-98+	95-98		18	\$183.99
<p>This black/purple-tinged wine exhibits lots of minerality (from this terroir's clay and limestone soils) as well as the entire spectrum of black fruits. Full-bodied and backward, it's like drinking crushed limestone/chalk when you taste this intense, tannic, powerful wine. It will require 8-10 years of cellaring and should evolve for 35-40+ years. (RP)</p>								

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11557	Pipeau	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	87-90			15	\$29.95
<p>A consistently well-made effort, the opaque purple-hued 2010 Pipeau exhibits lots of blue and black fruits interwoven with notions of licorice and lead pencil shavings along with a medium-bodied, richly fruity mouthfeel. The tannins are slightly more elevated than normal, so I suspect this wine will need a year or so of bottle age to round into top drinking form. Nevertheless, it is a pure, well-made effort that represents excellent value. (RP)</p>								
11662	Quinault L'Enclos		St.Emilion	90-92	88-91	17		\$49.00
<p>Deep ruby/purple, with a little more muscle and power than most previous vintages have possessed, this wine displays notes of black raspberries, black currants, licorice, and some crushed rock. It is classically styled, with moderate tannin to shed, but don't expect it to be long-lived, since most vintages of Quinault L'Enclos under Dr. Raynaud seemed to hit their peak very quickly, around age 7 to 10, and are probably best drunk in their first 15 years of life. (RP)</p>								
11671	Rol Valentin	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	90-93	94-95	17	16.5	\$62.00
<p>Composed of 90% Merlot and 10% Cabernet Franc with 14.5-14.7% alcohol, the 2010 Rol Valentin is the strongest wine this estate has produced in several years. Its opaque ruby/purple hue is accompanied by plenty of black raspberry, blueberry, toasty oak and floral notes. Opulent, powerful and rich with moderate tannins, it should drink well young yet age easily for 10-15 years. (RP)</p>								
11580	Sanctus	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	91-93	92-94			\$54.00
<p>This is a 7.5-acre garagiste estate carved out of the La Bienfaisance vineyard. A blend of 75% Merlot and 25% Cabernet Franc that achieved 15.1% alcohol, it is remarkably fresh and well-balanced with excellent precision. A dark blue/purple color is followed by hints of chocolate, blackberries, cassis, new saddle leather and toasty oak. This full-bodied, opulent 2010 should drink well for 10-15 years. (RP)</p>								
11491	Teyssier	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	89-91	89-92	16.5	16	\$29.00
<p>A blend of 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc, the 2010 Teyssier has a dense purple color, a big, sweet kiss of black fruits, licorice, earth and oak, medium to full body, moderately sweet tannins as well as a hint of toasty oak. (RP)</p>								
11793	Troplong Mondot	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	96-98+	93-96		18.5	\$225.00
<p>An amazing wine. The final blend 90% Merlot & 10% Cabernet Franc. There is freshness, precision, definition and absolutely no heat in the wine whatsoever. This stunningly rich effort offers abundant blueberry, black raspberry, licorice and graphite notes, mixed with a hint of espresso roast. It has a seriously concentrated, super-intense mouthfeel with full-bodied power. It also has a complex, multidimensional texture and a nearly 50-second finish. Just prodigious! (RP)</p>								
11657	Vieux Chateau Mazerat	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	92-94	91-94		18.5	\$95.00
<p>This shows a little more heft, with muscular blueberry, fig and blackberry confiture notes inlaid with roasted apple wood and espresso hints. Shows a pure beam of fruit through the finish. (WS)</p>								
11718	Villemaurine	Grand Cru Classe	St.Emilion	88-90	88-92	17		\$70.00
<p>A ripe, lush style, with ample dark toast and spice leading the way for plum, black currant and anise. The toasty edge hangs on through the gutsy finish. (WS)</p>								
11893	Bordeaux Collection							\$17,995.00
<p>Includes Margaux, Lafite Rothschild, Latour, Mouton Rothschild, Haut Brion, Mission Haut-Brion, Cheval Blanc, Petrus and d'Yquem.</p>								