

# Château Laffitte Carcasset 2018

## Technical Sheet



Château Laffitte Carcasset was founded in 1759 at a place called « Le Carcasset » in Saint-Estèphe. Faithful to the tradition of its time, the estate is a beautiful 18th century Chartreuse which owes its name to its owner Jean Laffitte, court lawyer and King's Prosecutor in Bordeaux.

Located in the heart of the appellation and its Grands Crus Classés, the vineyard is nestled on the gravelly plateau, near the Gironde estuary. The cabernet and the merlot benefit from an ideal climate and produce wines of great aromatic expression, in the purest style of Saint-Estèphe.

<b>2020 Classification :</b>	Cru Bourgeois Supérieur
<b>Owner :</b>	Pierre Rousseau
<b>Oenologist :</b>	Hubert de Bouard
<b>Appellation :</b>	Saint-Estèphe
<b>Surface area :</b>	35 ha
<b>Terroir :</b>	Garonne gravel soil Subsoil clayey limestone
<b>Grape varieties:</b>	60 % Cabernet Sauvignon 35 % Merlot 5 % Cabernet franc
<b>Age of the vineyard :</b>	30 years



**2018 is a sunny and demanding vintage.** After a mild but rainy spring, marked by strong mildew pressure, the lasting sunshine saved the vintage. The hot summer temperatures have benefited the beautiful clayey gravel soils, which are particularly favoured in dry years.

The grapes boasted the best characteristics: phenolic as well as aromatic richness and early maturation of the skins. **2018 really is a great vintage.**

<b>Blend:</b>	50 % Cabernet Sauvignon 47 % Merlot 3 % Cabernet Franc
<b>Harvest :</b>	By hand and mechanical 17 <sup>th</sup> September - 10 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Vinification :</b>	Fermentation in stainless-steel vats Slow and gentle extraction
<b>Aging :</b>	12 months in oak barrels 40 % new oak
<b>Alcool :</b>	14 %