

# Château L'Evangile 2021

#### BACKGROUND

Since 1868, the Rothschild family has cared for some of the most celebrated properties in France's iconic Bordeaux region. The stories these incredible estates tell are unique, but united by the common threads of legendary terroir and sustainable farming of the land. As the first of the Domaines Barons de Rothschild Lafite estates to use organic farming methods, Château L'Evangile is a shining reflection of its remarkable Right Bank terroir. The château sits on the southeast corner of the famed Pomerol plateau in the heart of the vines — a house with a red door that is built with Bordeaux stone. Through a lucky accident of geology, this part of the plateau is punctuated by a long line of surface gravel, shared by only three vineyards, including Château L'Evangile's. The property is bordered to the north by Château Pétrus and is separated from Cheval Blanc in Saint-Emilion to the south by nothing more than a secondary road.

## TERROIR & VINTAGE NOTES

Spring was grey and wet, resulting in late, problematic flowering. July was dry and sunny followed by an overcast August which helped preserve a fine freshness. September and October had exceptional weather enabling the grapes to fully ripen.

## WINEMAKING & AGING

Harvest took place from September 29th to October 14th for the Merlot and October 6th – 13th for the Cabernet Franc. Pumping over and maceration times were adapted to each vat, according to the plot and the level of ripeness of the tannins. Alcoholic fermentation took place in temperature controlled concrete and stainless steel vats for 10 days. Maceration lasted 25 to 28 days, depending on the plots. Malolactic fermentation was carried out in 100% in new barrels. The wine was aged for 18 months in barrels crafted by the Tonnellerie des Domaines cooperage in Pauillac; 75% new, 25% second–use.

# TASTING NOTES

Dense, dark color with hints of violet. Intense nose with mocha, stone fruits, violets, and spices. Generous and full-bodied in the mouth, with a powerful, harmonious texture. Smooth finish with lots of velvety tannins that remain dense without being aggressive.





#### ORIGIN

Pomerol, Bordeaux, France

## GRAPE VARIETIES

69% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Franc, 1% Cabernet Sauvignon

# SIZES

750ml

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

ABV: 14.5%, TA: 2.6, Ph: 3.85, Closure: Cork

# WINEMAKER

Olivier Tregoat





