

# Le Dauphin d'Olivier

PESSAC-LEOGNAN

2016

Le Dauphin d'Olivier hails from the same vineyard as its elder, Château Olivier Grand Cru Classé de Graves. It is raised and vinified by the same team.

Similarly to the main label, of which one can recognize the inherent qualities, Le Dauphin d'Olivier is available in both red and white. It can be enjoyed young and allows one an introduction to the main label.



## CHARACTERISTICS OF THE 2016 VINTAGE

### WEATHER CONDITIONS

The winter of 2016 was mild and wet. However, a spell of fine weather occurred during flowering, which began on the 28<sup>th</sup> of May for Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. There was very little rain from the 1<sup>st</sup> of July to the 13<sup>th</sup> of September. Temperatures were slightly above seasonal averages. Beautiful sunny days and cool nights in October were conducive to excellent ripening, and aromatic freshness.

### HARVEST DATES

28<sup>th</sup> September to 20<sup>th</sup> October  
Hand picked, in small baskets

### VINIFICATIONS

Slow fermentation with temperature  
Control, With reduced pumping-over volume

### AGEING

12 months in barrels  
35% new barrels

### ALCOHOL

13,5°

### YIELD

48 HL/HA

### BLEND

Merlot 70%  
Cabernet Sauvignon 30%

### TASTING

His color is garnet red.  
The nose is very aromatic with aromas of ripe  
red fruits, jam and slightly smoked.  
The mouth is long, round and fleshy. The  
tannins are silky and elegant.

APPELLATION **PESSAC-LEOGNAN**

OWNER **FAMILY DE BETHMANN**

MANAGING DIRECTOR **LAURENT LEBRUN**

VINEYARD

Area : 60 hectares / Soils : Gravels (50%), clay-limestone (35%) and sands (15%)

Varieties : Cabernet Sauvignon (40%), Merlot (58%), Petit Verdot (2%)

Average Age : 22 years

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