

CHÂTEAU CANON CHAIGNEAU

LALANDE-DE-POMEROL

2019, CUVE 8A

■ OUR VINEYARD

21 hectares of a clay-limestone soil with iron deposits at the highest point of the Néac plateau and in the continuity of the most prestigious part of the Pomerol plateau, 800m as the crow flies from Château Petrus. As Decanter says, the area is "... the extension of the Pomerol plateau, and the majority of the best Lalande wines are found in this part of the appellation".

REGION	Bordeaux
AOP	Lalande-de-Pomerol
OWNER	Romik Arconian
WINEMAKER	Thierry Garnaud, former maître de Chai at Cheval Blanc for 35 years
SIZE	21 hectares
CERTIFICATION	'Haute Valeur Environnementale' level 3 since 2020
VARIETIES	90% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, 3% Pressac
TERROIR	Clay & limestone with iron deposits
VITICULTURE	'Culture raisonnée' working towards Bio certification
VINIFICATION	Traditional in concrete and stainless steel vats, Plot selection
AGEING	12 months in concrete & French wood (30% new)



■ CUVE 8A

Thierry Garnaud, retired as Maître de Chai from Cheval Blanc in 2019, after 35 vintages, wanted to try his hand at something different. Something more modern, purer & without oak.

Cuve 8a is the identity, in our chai of the concrete cuve in which this wine is lovingly crafted, from specific parcels of slightly younger vines, vinified & matured solely in concrete cuves, and can be enjoyed a little sooner than it's 'grand vin' sibling. Not a second wine, but very much a different cuvée.

■ THE 2019 VINTAGE – TASTING NOTES



'The 2019 Cuve 8A has a well-defined, taut and linear bouquet, a light marine influence coming through with time. The palate is medium-bodied with sappy black fruit, a slightly granular texture, good grip, and black pepper and graphite notes toward the finish. A fascinating and quite delicious 2019.' 92/100, Neal Martin

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'Garnet/violet highlights. Nice clear quite pure nose. Raspberries, touch of blueberries, redcurrants too; a hint of saline minerality giving character. Quite lifted, bright and aerial. Pure and focussed on the palate too with decent substance and depth. Not amazingly complex at this stage, but very attractive and already approachable. Nice tannins and a lovely freshness. No harshness and a good aging potential too. Not too sweet. Good length and a chewy, sappy, grapey – and grippy finish.' Colin Hay, 89-91