

## LE PETIT DUCRU

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#### **Cellar Master Tasting Note (October 2021)**

Deep purple with opulent fruits, plums and cherries, layered with rich clove, mocha and vanilla bean aromas. Medium to full bodied with perfectly ripe, plush tannins enrobed with juicy fruits and spicy flavours that extend across the palate, and persist in a pure, berry fruit finish. Very suave.

#### **Characteristics of vintage**

### Quality \*\*\*

Weather: mild winter/spring conditions prompted early budburst. Cooler temperatures in April and May delayed flowering, though a rise in temperatures in mid-June resulted in a successful fruit set. Summer was hot, with temperatures higher-than-average from June 23 through to October giving small, concentrated berries. Late July brought welcomed rains, rejuvenated the vines. August and September saw light

★ mediocre
★ average
★ ★ good
★ ★ ★ great
★ ★ ★ ★ outstanding
★ ★ ★ ★ mythic

rains and cooler night temperatures, which helped to retain acidity and prolong the ripening phase, yielding wines with sophisticated tannins and intense, yet elegant aromatics.

**Harvest:** Merlot 20 September - 30 September Cabernet Sauvignon 1st October - 10 October

#### Winemaking

Blend: 60% Merlot Noir, 36% Cabernet-Sauvignon, 4% Petit Verdot

Oak Use: 30% new certified French oak barrels (2251), for a total of 12 months.