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Having tasted a wide range of young, 2019 wines, sent directly from the châteaux, our selections have concentrated on those wines which are harmoniously ripe, have excellent potential, and have been released at sensible prices. There are many beautifully classic, stunning wines this year, which we most warmly recommend.

2019 was a sunny vintage for Bordeaux, with all the potential successes and challenges this brings. The wines that stood out from our tastings combine richness and superb depth of fruit with precision of structure, ample, harmonious tannins, and sufficient balancing acidity, bringing freshness. The best wines having energy, vibrancy and elegance. As always, when weighing up what to offer our customers, value for money plays an essential role. As a rule, prices have come down compared to the 2018s – some by as much as 30%. Without doubt, there are some good opportunities to be found this year, across all price levels.

2019 is a lovely vintage for the sweet wines of Sauternes, the wines being aromatically intense, combining wonderful, sumptuous sweetness and gorgeous freshness. We have selected two excellent sweet whites, starting at just £135.60 per case of 6, in bond (see page 10).

The Growing Season

Mild temperatures at the beginning of spring 2019 led to early bud break (approx. 1 week earlier than the norm), although vegetative growth was slowed down by cool, rainy weather in April and May. Flowering took place in early June in similar, unsettled conditions, and was uneven in certain vineyards, thus reducing potential volumes. However, from mid-June onwards, hot, dry weather set in, but despite the high temperatures, the water accumulated in the soil during the spring meant that vine growth was not stunted and fruit-set was able to take place perfectly. Early summer heat was accompanied by exceptional sunshine: July 2019 was one of the three sunniest of the past 30 years. The warmth continued into August, with alternating periods of hot and cool weather, favouring the beginning of the ripening stage. The first half of September was particularly hot and dry, which led to fears of water stress, although rainfall from the 20th September onwards helped the Merlot grapes ripen completely. Subsequently, the Cabernets were harvested almost without interruption, in perfect condition.

These wines are offered in bond UK, for delivery during 2022.

Château La Tour de Bessan, Margaux 2019

12b 150.00

6m 165.00

La Tour de Bessan is proof that delicious, true-to-type Margaux can be found at a very appealing price. Following on from the 2018 we so loved last year, this 2019 is another brilliant buy, this year's blend being 58% Cabernet Sauvignon with 32% Merlot and 10% Petit Verdot. Deep ruby-purple colour, the nose is strikingly beautiful and perfumed: black fruits, violets. Palate is elegantly poised and pure, with fresh fruitiness, silky texture and a fine, lifted finish (for drinking 2023-2030+).



Château Peymouton, Saint-Emilion Grand Cru 2019

12b 160.00

6m 175.00

A brilliant value discovery with this 2019 vintage, Château Peymouton is part of the estate of Château Laroque, an historic Grand Cru Classé of Saint-Émilion located on a limestone plateau just 3.5 km east of the medieval village. With Peymouton, the estate focuses on creating a wine that expresses the elegance of Saint-Emilion in a vibrant, fruit-driven style that can be enjoyed after just a few years of cellaring. A blend of 72% Merlot with 22% Cabernet Franc and 6% Cabernet Sauvignon, this 2019 has a bright, ruby-purple colour, aromas being open and attractively floral. This is a lively, juicy mouthful, being medium bodied, fresh and with a finely tannic finish (for drinking 2022-2025+).



Château Picque-Caillou, Pessac-Léognan 2019

12b 165.00

6m 180.00

Paulin Calvet reports a generous and healthy crop from his 19 hectares surrounding the property, for his 2019 vintage. 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot and 10% Petit Verdot in the blend has given an elegant style at a digestible 13%. Aromas are bright, attractive and perfumed, with freshness and spice. This is a ripe, supple wine, with fine lines a creamy texture that is most alluring. Perfectly judged tannins bring a freshness and harmony, with super length. Whether you drink this in 8 or 15 years, you will wonder how such a beautiful, classic Claret was also so affordable (for drinking 2025 – 2035+).



Château Ségur de Cabanac, Saint-Estèphe 2019

12b 165.00

6m 180.00

This small 7 hectare estate in Saint-Estephe, on gravel slopes overlooking the river, has produced an excellent wine in 2019. Aromas are intensely perfumed: ripe red and black fruits entwined with freshness and spice. Here is a wine with purity, dense middle fleshiness and a superb harmony of ripe tannins. There is nothing forced, everything is in place, with impressive length of flavour (for drinking 2024–2035+).



Château Haut-Bages Monpelou, Pauillac 2019

12b 204.00

6m 219.00

Assembled from 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 26% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc and 2% Petit Verdot, this has luxuriant, spiced black fruit aromas, which emerge strongly from the glass. The palate is full bodied, with dense concentration, meticulous structure, well-rounded tannins and a balanced, mouth-coating finish. Under the same ownership as Château Batailley and made with the same attention to detail, this is a fabulous wine, and classically Pauillac (for drinking 2024-2035+).



Château Lacoste-Borie, Pauillac 2019

12b 210.00

6m 225.00

The Second wine of Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Lacoste-Borie is a frequent HH&C favourite, offering great value for an elegant, impeccably made Pauillac. In 2019 the blend is 62% Cabernet Sauvignon with 29% Merlot and 9% Cabernet Franc, ageing in 50% new barrels, Rich in colour, this shows fine, sweetly spiced cassis aromas on the nose, palate being full bodied, with generous fruit concentration, lively freshness, well-defined frame and delicious, supple length (for drinking 2024-2035+).



Château Moulin de la Rose, Saint-Julien 2019

12b 220.00

6m 235.00

A tiny 5 hectare plot nestled among the Saint-Julien Classed Growths, this 65% Cabernet Sauvignon and 35% Merlot estate is part of the Guy Delon family. Now ably run by Guy's children, Jean-François and Gylène, their 2019 vintage is a beautiful wine. Bright purple colour, the aromas are very fine, elegant, floral, with rich black fruits and spice. There is power here, with good grip and freshness to balance the rich, supple, creamy textures. Fruit is intense and bright, the finish is long and complex (for drinking 2026 – 2037+)



Château Latour-Martillac, Pessac-Léognan 2019

12b 247.20

6m 262.20

This property has been run passionately by the Kressman family for 3 generations, having seen recent expansion and investment, with restructuring of the vineyards, to ensure that the Cabernets are on the most appropriate terroirs for them, the Merlots also. The 2019 assemblage consists of 72% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot with 8% Petit Verdot. The latter grape has been contributing significantly more to the blend in recent years. In a ripe vintage such as this, it brings colour, piercing fruitiness, and a refreshing curl of extra flavour to the finish. The 2019 is very deep, dense purple in colour, with beautifully fragrant cassis and black fruit aromas. Palate starts tautly structured, with flowing, intense, lifted mid-palate, showing superb balance of alcohol, freshness and rich tannins. This is a lovely, thirst-quenching wine, capable of long-term ageing, with admirable length (for drinking 2025-2040+).



Château Carbonnieux rouge, Cru Classé Pessac-Léognan 2019

12b 270.00

6m 285.00

This wine impressed us on both opportunities we tasted it in London this spring, its abundantly fine, floral blackcurrant and licorice aroma being totally captivating, leading to a palate that is gorgeous in both flavour and texture. The blend in 2019 is 60% Cabernet Sauvignon with 30% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc and 5% Petit Verdot, the wine showing rich, deep purple colour. The Merlots bring plush middle-palate succulence, the Cabernets admirable fresh structure and flavour intensity. Fruit is balanced by fine acidity and gentle tannins, with an harmonious, buoyant aftertaste (for drinking 2025-2040+).



Château Jean Faure, Saint-Emilion Grand Cru Classé 2019

12b 270.00

6m 285.00

Jean Faure was a fantastic new discovery for us last year: the 2019 is a tremendous follow-on. The property is superbly situated a few hundred yards along from Cheval-Blanc, adjoining La Dominique, across the commune border from leading Pomerol châteaux La Conseillante and l'Évangile. For several decades the vineyards were neglected, however, since their purchase by Olivier Decelle in 2004 a transformation has taken place. Organic cultivation has brought the old vines back to health, and the winery has been totally re-equipped. Unusually – but just like at nearby Cheval-Blanc – a strong proportion of Cabernet Franc makes up the blend. In 2019 this is 65%, with 30% Merlot and 5% Malbec completing the picture. Once again it is a striking wine, with real personality and charm, showing the finesse and fragrance of Cabernet Franc, complimented by lusciously textured, ripe Merlot and Malbec fruitiness. Colour is deep ruby-purple, aromas fragrant and fresh. Palate shows tightly-woven, vibrant fruit, with all elements finely balanced. This is a complete, harmonious wine (for drinking 2024-2040+).



Château La Lagune 3ème Cru Classé, Haut-Medoc 2019

12b 300.00

6m 315.00

There was no 2018 vintage made at La Lagune, the organically cultivated vineyards losing their battle against mildew. Thankfully for us all, the 2019 was a huge success and has been released at a most sensible price level – this looks to us to be a great buy in 2019. Perfumed aromas are rich, floral, beautifully pure and elegant. Palate is perfectly weighted, an intense ball of flesh and silky textures, within a fine frame of ripe tannins and bright acidity. We have no doubt this will become a wonderful glass of fine claret (for drinking 2026 – 2045+) – superb value.



Château Lafleur-Gazin, Pomerol 2019

12b 310.00

6m 325.00

The vines of Lafleur-Gazin lie on the edge of the clay-rich, central plateau of Pomerol, between two famous neighbours: Châteaux Gazin and Lafleur. This property is a consistent HH&C favourite, with the 2019 being a stand-out. 100% Merlot, this is captivating for its gorgeously opulent richness and generous, creamy texture. In colour the wine is deep ruby-purple, with fresh, delicately spiced, blackberry and plum aromas, very pure and vital. The palate is densely structured, with concentrated fruitiness and harmonious, suave tannins, finishing impressively long (for drinking 2025-2035+).



Château Batailley, 5ème Cru Classé Pauillac 2019

12b 336.00

6m 351.00

Quality continues to climb at Batailley, thanks to the Castéja family's continued investment and attention to detail in vineyard and winery. With guidance for many years from Professor Denis Dubourdieu of Bordeaux University (consultant here from 2001 until his untimely death in 2016), a policy of gently simmering the wine beneath its grape-skin cap, after the tumultuous fermentation, was introduced – to help build the wine's body. The 2019 is a blend of 74% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot and 1% Petit Verdot, ageing 60% in new barrels. Colour is impressively deep, aromas being ripe and multilayered, combining floral cassis and cedar. Palate shows dense, powerful fruit, with beautiful freshness, fine, harmonious tannins, elegant length and superb potential (for drinking 2025-2040+).



Pichon Comtesse Réserve, Pauillac 2019

12b 336.00

6m 351.00

In a year where the Grand Vin is considered one of the greats of the vintage, the newly named second wine looks a very astute buy. The 2019 is a blend of 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 46% Merlot and 3% Cabernet Franc. The aromas are beautifully floral and elegant, with intense red fruits and ripe blueberries. This is a wine of medium weight, being fleshy and silkily textured, held neatly with a fine structure and harmonious tannins. The finish is bright and long (for drinking 2025–2035+).



Château Branaire-Ducru, 4ème Cru Classé Saint-Julien 2019

12b 348.00

6m 363.00

Intensely coloured, with expressive, elaborate aromas that combine floral cassis with spiced plums, this wine's palate has rich, tense, fragrant fruitiness that interweaves with mineral, savoury complexity. Tannins are superbly rounded, the length being delicious. This 2019 has been assembled from 56% Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot and 4% Cabernet Franc, harvested slowly as each ripened, between 19th September and 9th October. With the price being 25% lower than the 2018, this is an outstanding buy, for mid-term and longer ageing (for drinking 2027-2040+).



Château Bourgneuf, Pomerol 2019

12b 410.00

6m 425.00

We regularly fall for Ch Bourgneuf when tasting it En Primeur – this 2019 is outstanding for its beautiful, uplifting aroma, and intense power with energy on the palate. The property has been in the Vayron family since 1840, for 8 generations, the 2019 having been assembled from 85% Merlot and 15% Cabernet Franc, the wine now ageing in 35% new barrels. Rich purple-ruby colour, the nose combines red and black berry aromas, very enticing. Palate is full-bodied, with an intense, complex middle of vivacious fruitiness, and precise, fine structure. Tannins are silky and mouth-coating, the finish showing bounce and exceptional length. This will age magnificently (for drinking 2025-2040+).



Château d'Issan, 3ème Cru Classé Margaux 2019

12b 438.00

6m 453.00

Once again, Emmanuel Cruse and his team at Ch d'Issan have produced a stunning, irresistible wine in 2019. This wine comes solely from the vines within the historic, walled vineyard around the château (dating back to 1644). Cabernet Sauvignon makes up 70% of the blend, with Merlot the balance, with 50% of the wine now ageing in new barrels. Bright-purple-ruby in colour, aromas are gloriously fragrant: violets, roses, cassis. Palate is harmoniously structured and tightly woven, showing plump fruitiness, subtle tannins and exceptional, silky aftertaste (for drinking 2026-2042+).



Château Brane-Cantenac, 2ème Cru Classé Margaux 2019

12b 498.00

6m 513.00

Henri Lurton has once again created an exceptional wine at Brane-Cantenac in 2019. The blend consists of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 26% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc and 1% each of Petit Verdot and Carmenère, now ageing in 100% new barrels. Colour is intense purple-ruby, with tautly fragrant, complex aromas, being at once floral and fruity. Profoundly structured, with superbly dense fruitiness, this has fine texture and great vivacity. Tannins and acidity are perfectly harmonised, length and potential are totally outstanding (for drinking 2026-2045+).



Clos la Madeleine, Saint Emilion Grand Cru Classé 2019

6b 265.00

3m 280.00

We are thrilled to have access to the wine of this tiny, perfectly situated property, which has been owned by the Moueix family since 2017. The 2.3-hectare clos nestles inside the vineyard of Château Bélair-Monange, where the limestone bedrock is covered in some areas by just 50cm of clay. In 2019 this is a blend of 88% Merlot with 12% Cabernet Franc, having a bright, purple-ruby colour. The nose is ebulliently fruity and fragrant: red cherries, dried rose petals. The wine shows great elegance and finesse on the palate, with full, succulent core, silky texture and beautiful length (for drinking 2025-2035+).



Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste, 5ème Cru Classé Pauillac 2019

12b 540.00

6m 555.00

This 2019 Grand-Puy-Lacoste is François-Xavier Borie's 41st vintage – and it is another absolute beauty this year. Assembled from 83% Cabernet Sauvignon and 17% Merlot, it is currently ageing 75% in new barrels. Intensely deep purple-ruby colour, it shows wonderful, densely packed, scented black fruits on the nose. This is a splendid, perfectly balanced wine, which starts quietly, building to an intense, brightly powerful, richly concentrated middle. This wine has focus, finesse and precision, tannins being harmonious and ripe. The finish is long-lingering and stylish (for drinking 2026-2045+).



Alter Ego de Ch Palmer, Margaux 2019

6b 270.00

3m 285.00

We consistently love the wines of Ch Palmer. With the price of this 2019 Alter Ego being even keener than the 2016 we sold so enthusiastically En Primeur, this looks to us as being an excellent buy. We were unable to taste this before release, as the fragility of the wine in barrel has prohibited the delivery of samples abroad. The following tasting details have been supplied by the Château:

“Merlot 51%, Cabernet Sauvignon 40%, Petit Verdot 9%. With its dark red robe, Alter Ego 2019 immediately impresses with its explosive aromatics. Subtle notes of red fruits evoking raspberries and redcurrants blend harmoniously with the floral fragrance of a field in spring. The sensation on the palate, initially refreshing, unfolds into a texture of great softness and length. This is Alter Ego at its best – a wine perfectly true to its identity.”



Château Léoville-Barton, 2ème Cru Classé Saint-Julien 2019

12b 648.00

6m 663.00

84% Cabernet Sauvignon dominates the blend this year, with Merlot the balance. The colour is utterly opaque, with a bright purple rim, the aromas being deeply concentrated and richly complex, including ripe blueberries, cherries and spices. This is an immensely impressive, complete wine, with superb purity of fruit, precision and creamy texture. A very classy Leoville-Barton, with ample freshness, fine tannins, a powerful finish and a great future (for drinking 2028 – 2050+).



Château Canon, 1er Grand Cru Classé Saint-Emilion 2019

6b 438.00

3m 453.00

Canon is consistently one of the most beautiful wines of the Right Bank. We were unable to taste this 2019 before release, but have every confidence in this wine being a great buy this year, at a price that is approximately 15% less than the 2018. The following tasting details have been supplied by the Château:

“Ripe and expressive, bursting with life, bright notes of lush strawberries, raspberries and morello cherry burst forth from the glass. There is this constant sensation of sapidity, so smooth and tasty. The wine palpitates. Intense and sappy, throughout the tasting it preserves this juicy character which is characteristic of the vintage. It speaks to us of the mastery achieved in a year that was nevertheless hot and dry. It brings movement over the palate and invigorates the body. This is a generous yet precise Canon, which combines consistency with fluidity.”

The 2019 is a blend of 74% Merlot with 26% Cabernet Franc, currently ageing in 50% new French oak (for drinking 2024-2040+).



Château Certan de May, Pomerol 2019

6b 480.00

3m 495.00

Jean-Claude Berrouet is a consultant here, and he has brought his experience of vinifying 40 years at Ch Pétrus to bear on this jewel of a property, whose vineyards lie a few hundred metres away from Pétrus, just across the road from Vieux Château Certan. The wine is richly purple-ruby, with concentrated aromas of great complexity and perfume. Palate is powerfully built, with dense fruitiness, admirable depth and fantastic length to finish. This 2019 wine will reward cellaring and is set to become one of the great Pomerols of the future (for drinking 2026-2038+).



Château Bélair-Monange, Saint Emilion 1er Grand Cru Classé 2019

6b 630.00

3m 645.00

The vineyards of Ch Bélair-Monange occupy some of the most desirable plots of the appellation. One third lie on Saint-Emilion’s limestone plateau, near the historic town, one third are on adjoining, south-facing, steep hillsides, with the balance being on the terraces between the two. The 2019 assemblage is 98% Merlot with 2% Cabernet Franc. Colour is lustrous ruby-purple, nose being magnificently fresh, combining ripe, delicately spiced red fruits with floral perfume. Palate is simply glorious, showing remarkable harmony between rich structure, dense, multi-layered fruitiness, velvety texture and refreshing, super-long length. Here is a Saint-Emilion that has poise and elegance – a great and gorgeous wine, with immense potential (for drinking 2026-2040+).



£ per case in
UK Bond

Château La Fleur-Pétrus, Pomerol 2019

6b 830.00

3m 845.00

La Fleur-Pétrus took our breath away when tasting it this spring: here is an exceptional wine that has everything that you dream for in a truly great Pomerol.

The vineyards of Ch La Fleur-Pétrus lie in three sectors on Pomerol's famous plateau. Partly, they are across a narrow road from Ch Pétrus, where they touch another rare Pomerol, Ch Lafleur. An additional plot of adjoining land, planted with old, mainly Merlot vines, was acquired in the mid-1990s. In the last 20 years, more superbly-placed vines have been bought, lying around Hosanna, and also between Trotanoy and Le Pin. The wine is now made at a state-of-the-art winery in Pomerol village, and La Fleur-Pétrus has greater structure and more concentration and complexity than ever before.

Impressively deep purple in colour, this has spectacularly vibrant aromas of great purity and beauty. Palate is luscious and fleshy, being powerfully built, with nervy tension, mesmerizing texture and wonderful length. With its finesse and undoubted potential, this is one of Pomerol's archetypal, ultimate beauties (for drinking 2025-2040+).



2019 Sweet White Bordeaux

Château Doisy-Vedrines, 2ème Cru Classé Sauternes 2019

6b 135.60

12h 143.10

Located on a clay-limestone outcrop in Haut-Barsac, but using (quite legally) the appellation Sauternes, 80% Semillon with 15% Sauvignon blanc and 5% Muscadelle make up the plantings here, the wine ageing in approx 50% new barrels. This 2019 is green-golden in colour, with finely fragrant, candied orange-peel, dried apricot and mango aromas – very delicious. On the palate, this is powerfully mouthfilling and purely fruity, with intense, nobly-rotten concentration, and a superb, lifted, refreshing length (for drinking 2024-2040+).



£ per case in
UK Bond

Château Doisy Daëne, Grand Cru Classé, Barsac 2019

6b 150.00

12h 157.50

This lovely property was managed for many years by the much-regretted Prof. Denis Dubourdieu, who sadly died in 2016. His family has maintained traditions and the highest standards with this beautiful wine. Thanks to their special vineyard management skills, a small harvest of golden, profoundly-concentrated, nobly-rotten bunches was picked here. The resulting wine, 100% from Semillon grapes, is currently ageing in 1/3 new oak barrels and will be transferred into stainless steel tank at the end of the summer, ahead of bottling in mid 2021.



This 2019 is an exquisite wine. Pale lemon-gold in colour, it is abundantly aromatic, including lime-flower, spiced lemon peel and peachiness. Palate has marked intensity – not too sweet – with superb aftertaste. There is opulence here, with gorgeous creamy texture perfectly balanced with energetic, fresh fruitiness and a finish that is racy, long-flavoured and full of finesse (for drinking 2024-2040+).

Supplements for Special Format Bottlings

Bottle Sizes	Units Per Case	£ per Case
Half bottles	24x37.5cl	15.00
Double Magnums	3x300cl	80.00
Imperial	1x600cl	45.00

Buying Wine In Bond

Prices in this offer are quoted 'in bond' per case as marked. Once shipped to the UK, they will incur duty and VAT upon release from bonded warehouse. Any wines not delivered by our own delivery vehicles will be subject to a carriage charge.

Transferring Wine Under Bond

We are able to arrange under bond transfers of all the wines in this offer. For transfers into Octavian accounts there is no charge, however a charge will be incurred for transfers to accounts held at other bonded warehouses. If you would be interested in setting up a storage facility with Nexus Wine Collections at Octavian, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

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