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2001 Bordeaux In-Bond



Some of the 400-strong picking team at Château Lafite

2001 – Classic Clarets for keeping 1Prices down 1Exceptional Sauternes

THE REDS

2001 was a year when the top vineyards of Bordeaux emphatically proved their worth. The best exposed sites of Pauillac, St Julien, Margaux and Pessac-Léognan, the great Pomerol vineyards of the central plateau and the premier grand crus St Emilions on the Côtes made wines of wonderful individuality and class. They will make delicious bottles of Claret for the future.

What is more, prices of these wines are significantly less than last year. The fluster of excitement that made people all over the world pay top-dollar to obtain 2000 Claret has mercifully abated, leaving the field to people who actually want to drink the wines rather than put them in their trophy cabinets. Good news for Wine Society members.

2001 was more complicated than 2000, not just because it did not have the magical three noughts, but also because the summer was marginally cooler and the growing season therefore longer. This gave advantage to the best-placed, sunniest sites, where grapes always ripen a fortnight ahead, and to the growing band of dedicated vignerons all over Bordeaux who, by tight pruning and crop thinning, achieved exceptional ripeness. Such growers in the Côtes de Blaye, Bourg, Francs and Haut-Médoc, provide some of the most exciting wine for the future of Bordeaux. We closely follow the progress of these dedicated growers.

SAUTERNES AND DRY WHITES

2001 will go down in history as an extraordinary year for sweet wine. Super October weather gave high concentration of fruit and pourriture noble spread quickly and well. A number of top Sauternes and Barsac show exceptional aroma, and wonderful balance between fruit and luscious rich sweetness, complexity and finesse. We recommend you buy some. Equally the cooler September weather preserved the aroma and fruit in the best dry whites, which are beautifully balanced and expressive, so we reckon it is a year to buy these en-primeur too.



When demand exceeds supply

Demand for the top wines may be high. We share out oversubscribed wines as widely as possible down to a minimum practical level per member. After that, wines are allocated as fairly as possible. Please be aware that some wines may sell out. Should your first choice be sold out, please indicate on the order form your preferred substitute. Alternatively, you can allow The Society to choose for you. Allowing substitution and/or suggesting a preferred alternative will help to increase the likelihood of receiving similar wines should your first choice be sold out, especially where wines are restricted to fewer than 12 bottles per member.

How this offer works

Only **post, fax and website orders** will be accepted. If you would like to order via the website, access www.thewinesociety.com and follow the on-screen instructions. You need a password to access the site which can be requested online and will be posted to you within three working days. Your order should arrive at Stevenage **before 5pm Friday, 5th July 2002** and will be processed thereafter.

We may have to ration supplies to members in order to satisfy as many members as possible.

Members whose orders have been received by 5pm Friday, 5th July 2002 will receive confirmation of their purchase by Wednesday, 24th July 2002 at the latest. Members whose orders have been received after this time will receive notification by Wednesday 7th August 2002.

We are able to offer members notification of the wines allocated to them via e-mail. If you would like to receive e-mailed notification of wines allocated, please give your e-mail address on the order form or when you place your order via the website.

Please read the full terms and conditions for this offer set out on the enclosed order form or on our website before placing your order.

What the price includes

- Prices shown include delivery to a UK address. They do not include excise duty or VAT.
- Payment of duty and VAT, at the prevailing rate (currently £13.89 duty per 12-bottle case and 17.5% VAT payable on wine and duty) will be requested once the wines arrive at Stevenage. This is expected to be summer 2004.
- Once the wines arrive in the UK, members may opt to have them delivered within the UK or stored in duty-paid Members' Reserves at Stevenage.

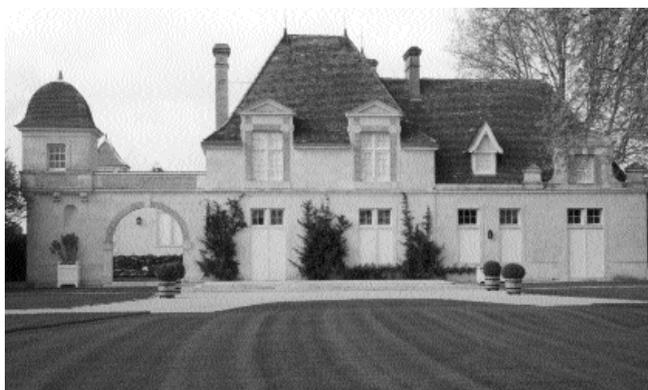
Members, especially those living overseas, should note that only unmixed dozens and unmixed cases of sixes may be exported or transferred to an outside bond.

Wines are offered in cases of six or twelve as indicated.

Please note that these wines cannot be collected from Hesdin.

<i>ref</i>	2001 CLARET IN-BOND	IN-BOND PRICE, UK DELIVERED <i>per dozen</i>
CB1661	Château Haut-Bertinerie, Côtes de Blaye Round fruit and plenty of charm from a property which has shown the considerable potential of this district over several vintages. 2004–2008.	£55.00
CB1621	Nectar de Château de la Grave, Côtes du Bourg This is the Bassereau's top cuvée from their ripest grapes which adds depth of fruit and fine bouquet to an already very popular wine. 2004–2008.	£57.00
M CM6641	Château Beaumont, Haut-Médoc With a touch more merlot (45%) than usual, this intelligent property adapted well to the vintage to produce stylish fruity Claret. Still unbeatable value for money. 2004–2009. <i>Magnums also available, see order form.</i>	£59.00
CS3971	Château Puygueraud, Côtes de Francs Talented Nicolas Thienpont makes full use of the old vines on this superbly placed vineyard, atop the hill next to Côtes de Castillon, to make rich Claret with complexity and character. 2004–2010.	£59.00
CS3861	Château Siaurac, Lalande de Pomerol Most attractively perfumed, with good fruit and structure to age well. The first time we have bought from Baron Guichard's well-placed estate in Néac. 2006–2014.	£68.00
CM7021	Château Dutruch-Grand-Poujeaux, Moulis The Cordonnier's efforts in the vineyard and a tough selection ensured full fruity Claret with good body. An excellent bottle in five years for a good price. 2006–2014.	£69.00

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CS4011	Château Vieux-Clos St Emilion, St Emilion Sweet, ripe, blackcurrant fruit with a nicely judged touch of oak. This will make a charming bottle. 2004–2009.	£72.00
CM6651	Château Charmail, Haut-Médoc The care and passion shown by Olivier Sèze in vineyard and cellar shows each year in his wine which is ripe, well-balanced and full of fruit. This is outstanding in its appellation, and, at this stage, the 2001 looks even better than the 2000. 2005–2012.	£79.00
CM7031	Château Cissac, Haut-Médoc A long-time favourite which has sharpened its act in recent vintages to soften the fruit and tannins yet keep the proper Médoc structure which repays keeping. 2007–2014.	£82.00
CM7091	Château Belgrave, Haut-Médoc This classed growth next to St Julien is handsomely repaying a decade of vineyard and cellar investment. Lots of classy flavour for the money. 2008–2018.	£100.00
CS4021	Château Grand-Corbin-Despaigne, St Emilion A family property which has increased the fruit of its wines by cutting yields while retaining the natural fragrance and charm that make it so attractive. 2004–2010.	£110.00
M CM6671	Château d'Angludet, Margaux Ben Sichel has produced another cracking vintage at Angludet with heaps of bright scented fruit and harmonious balance. The 2001 is a lovely Claret which may prove to have more class than the 2000. 2008–2018. <i>Magnums also available, see order form.</i>	£112.00
CM7041	Château Cantemerle, Haut-Médoc Among the classed-growth Clarets of the Médoc, this provides extremely good value for money with lovely aromas and soft supple fruit. 2007–2017.	£112.00
CM6861	Château Labégorce-Zédé, Margaux Luc Thienpont's selection is so severe that he only allows 35% of his crop into this, his first wine, which is snapped up by regular customers all over Europe. Rich, vibrant fruit. 2006–2015.	£115.00
CM6711	Château Haut-Bages-Libéral, Pauillac Claire Villars, who charmed all who met her at last year's Wine Society tastings, has put her considerable skill and energy into upgrading the quality of this classed growth property next to Latour. Dense, classic Pauillac, still excellent value. 2008–2018.	£118.00
M CM7011	Château Batailley, Pauillac Batailley has delivered the goods once again. Lots of fruit and good structure here. This is a proper, full-flavoured Pauillac enjoyable by about 2006 but a wine that would last and develop until 2020. <i>Magnums also available, see order form.</i>	£118.00
CS3851	Château Fonplégade, St Emilion Grand Cru Round, attractive fruit and good length of flavour from a property just below Magdelaine, which is one to watch. 2006–2015.	£140.00
CM6911	Château Duhart-Milon Rothschild, Pauillac Vividly fruity cabernet-based Pauillac benefiting from Lafite's team of 400 pickers who were able to harvest at the optimum moment. This is a property that has moved into a different league, yet still remains good value. 2008–2020.	£145.00
CM7051	Château La Lagune, Haut-Médoc La Lagune has kept the superb quality it achieved last year by making 30% less grand vin. Lovely perfumed fruit, harmonious balanced flavour and long-lasting finish with cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc, merlot and petit verdot all playing their part to add complexity. 2007–2020.	£160.00
CM6831	Château Branaire Ducru, St Julien This is the first time for many years that this property's wine has really stood out in comparative tastings for depth of fruit; a reward for all the work that the owner has put in. Long on the palate, this will make a bottle of real class. 2008–2020.	£160.00



Château Rauzan-Ségla



Owner of Château Berliquet, Patrick de Lesquen and Patrick Valette

<i>ref</i>		IN-BOND PRICE, UK DELIVERED per dozen
CM6751	Château Prieuré-Lichine, Margaux New owners have dramatically upgraded quality in the last few years by concentrating on the best core of the vineyard. This year includes just 30% of the total in the grand vin. 50% merlot in the blend, concentrated fleshy, ripe fruit and excellent quality is the result. 2008–2020.	£170.00
CS3901	Château Bourgneuf-Vayron, Pomerol Ripe, red fruit aromas, black olives and spice come to mind when tasting this successful characterful Pomerol. Should be fully ready by 2006 but will age well till 2015 or longer.	£170.00
CM6731	Château Talbot, St Julien Consistently well-made Claret delivering supple, fleshy, quietly classy flavour in the delightful St Julien style at an affordable price. The quality of merlot (40%) here was better in 2001 than 2000. 2008–2020.	£170.00
CS3991	Domaine de l’Eglise, Pomerol The Casteja family are rightly proud of their 2001 Pomerol which is full of ripe fruit with an intriguing smoky, plum aroma. Excellent concentration here. 2006–2015.	£185.00
CM6761	Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste, Pauillac The Bories have made this one of the most attractive and popular Pauillacs of all with its abundant ripe blackcurrant fruit and generous flavour. 2008–2020.	£185.00
CM6691	Château Langoa-Barton, St Julien The Barton’s homemade wine is wonderfully ripe, fruity and full of flavour and beautifully balanced. Classic Claret and an excellent buy. 2008–2020.	£190.00
CM6921	Carruades de Lafite, Pauillac This will make a delicious Claret with lots of charm, and because there is 42% merlot, this will be ready to enjoy after five years, sooner than most Pauillacs of this class. 2006–2015.	£195.00
CM6661	Pavillon Rouge du Château Margaux, Margaux Particularly good this vintage with lots of charm and body, because it includes a vat of merlot that usually goes into Château Margaux itself. Excellent balance and lovely bouquet. Worth the wait. 2007–2015.	£195.00
CM6931	Château Léoville Poyferré, St Julien Big-flavoured St Julien which is rich, round and full on the palate. This is a very classy Claret with refinement, purity and finesse. Lots of pleasure in store and possibly finer than the 2000. 2008–2020.	£195.00
CM6961	Château Haut-Bailly, Pessac-Léognan A ‘real Haut-Bailly’ reminding Jean Saunders of ‘95 and ‘89, this is unusually ripe, dense and well structured; the result of low-yields and then declaring only half the crop as the grand vin. This may well prove to have the edge over 2000. Wonderful Claret. 2007–2017.	£195.00
CS4041	Château Berliquet, St Emilion Patrick Valette, ex Château Pavie, is doing great things here for owner Patrick de Lesquen. Very aromatic with healthy, rich, well-balanced fruit from ripe grapes grown on excellent terroir. 2008–2018.	£195.00

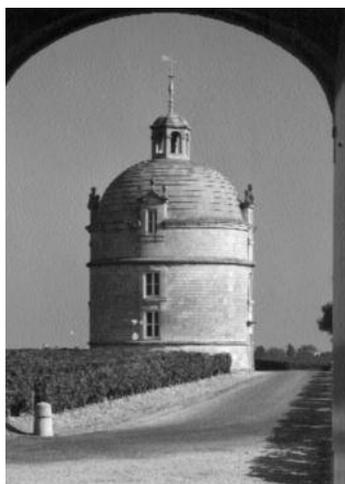
		IN-BOND PRICE, UK DELIVERED	
		<i>per six</i>	<i>per dozen</i>
CB1691	Château Roc de Cambes, Côtes de Bourg There is masses of expressive fruit here. Rich and fat and a very successful effort. Similar to the '90 says winemaker Francois Mitjaville. 2005–2015.	-	£195.00
CM6971	Château Calon-Ségur, St Estèphe Splendidly full-flavoured, perfumed, gutsy Claret that shows the best fruity qualities of a great St Estèphe property. 35% high-quality merlot. 2008–2020.	£98.00	-
CM6821	Bahans-Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan Haut Brion's second wine has plenty of body, fruit and finesse and the characteristic dry Graves finish to the flavour. Sappy, savoury and refined, this will benefit from more ageing than some years. 2007–2015.	-	£210.00
CM6721	Château Gruaud-Larose, St Julien A recent vertical tasting showed the class and longevity of Claret from this great vineyard. Firm, full, with heaps of class. 2008–2020.	-	£225.00
CM6771	Les Forts de Latour, Pauillac Round and harmonious with more style and elegance than power on first tasting; but track record says this will develop depth of flavour and richness as it matures in cask, and later tastings are now confirming this. 2007–2017.	-	£225.00
CM6811	Château Lynch-Bages, Pauillac With nearly 80% cabernet sauvignon this tasted quite backward but the fruit is full, ripe and rich with a vibrant freshness too, though not the density of its 2000. We have great confidence in this on the basis of past vintages which show the team knows exactly what it is doing. 2007–2020.	-	£245.00
CM6871	Château Brane-Cantenac, Margaux A wine of tremendous appeal, rich and full with enticing bouquet and an almost creamy palate. It represents a mere third of the total crop and though it will be enjoyable young, it will undoubtedly keep well too. 2006–2020.	-	£250.00
M CS4051	Château Belair, St Emilion Haunting aroma of great individuality and class which pervades the flavour with a good inner 'core' and length on the palate. Well-balanced and original wine of considerable potential. 2008–2020. <i>Magnums also available, see order form.</i>	-	£250.00
M CM6681	Château Léoville-Barton, St Julien Superbly ripe merlot gives this classic St Julien extra power and intensity of fruit, but it is the class of the cabernet grapes in the blend which will add increasing depth as it develops. Splendid Claret. 2010–2022. <i>Magnums also available, see order form.</i>	-	£250.00
CM6991	Château Montrose, St Estèphe Pure, ripe perfumed blackcurrant fruit on the nose, supported by a wonderfully ripe, firm, fruity palate. Classic Claret from low-yields of high-quality grapes. A great success. 2010–2022.	-	£255.00
CM7061	Château Rauzan-Ségla, Margaux Fine, aromatic bouquet exhibiting the best qualities of Margaux cabernet (68%). The fruit has a lovely sweetness and balance but this has the structure to last well too. Very much a wine that will benefit from ageing. 2009–2022.	-	£295.00
CM6851	Château Ducru Beaucaillou, St Julien One of the most beautifully balanced and graceful Clarets of all, with great purity of fruit and a tight inner core that will take quite a long time to unravel to perfection. 2010–2022.	-	£325.00
CM7071	Château Pichon-Longueville-Lalande, Pauillac Beautifully smooth, sweet-scented fruit and creamy palate, supported by Pauillac power. Only 37% made the grand vin and it is extremely impressive this year. 2008–2020.	-	£360.00



Lilian Barton



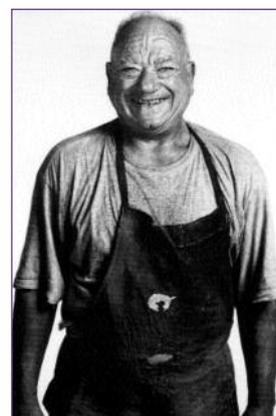
Christian Moueix of Château La Fleur Pétrus



The tower at Château Latour



Xavier Borie of Ducru Beaucaillou



Jean Brossard, Master Cooper at Château Lafite

		IN-BOND PRICE, UK DELIVERED	
		per six	per dozen
CS3891	Château La Fleur Pétrus, Pomerol Wonderfully expressive, aromatic fruit and gorgeously rich, smoky, creamy, very long-lasting palate. A notable success. 2007–2020. <i>Six bottle cases only.</i>	£198.00	-
M CM7081	Château Palmer, Margaux Palmer probably has the best quality merlot in the Médoc and it has helped give an extra sumptuous texture to the already classy cabernet in this wine. Very good indeed, this is a beauty. 2010–2022. <i>Magnums also available, see order form.</i>	-	£595.00
M CS3951	Vieux-Château-Certan, Pomerol Everybody agrees this is a star of the vintage. Alexandre Thienpont's merlots are of the superb 1998 quality but in 2001 the cabernet franc element is finer and the combination is beautifully sweet, yet dense and fine. Only 53% of a normal crop. Gorgeous wine. 2010–2022. <i>Magnums also available, see order form</i>	-	£595.00
CS3931	Château L'Évangile, Pomerol A tiny crop, only 42% of normal, of spectacularly rich and fine Pomerol whose wonderful scent and graceful flavour show it comes from one of the great vineyards. 2010–2022. <i>Six bottle cases only.</i>	£448.00	-
CM6801	Château Mouton-Rothschild, Pauillac A rigorous selection has ensured tremendously dense rich fruit in this Mouton, 86% cabernet sauvignon as you would expect in this great vineyard. Velvety with a beautiful bouquet. 2012–2025.	-	£950.00
CM6791	Château Haut-Brion, Pessac-Léognan Silky textured and fine with beautiful balance and many-faceted aroma and flavour. The mix of grapes here, 52% merlot, 36% cabernet sauvignon, 12% cabernet franc, contributes to its complexity and class. 2010–2025.	-	£950.00
CM6781	Château Latour, Pauillac Pure, classic Claret in the style of the older vintages of Latour. Backward when tasted, which is rather a good sign with this property, so famous for the longevity of its wine. 2012–2025.	-	£950.00
CM6741	Château Margaux, Margaux Only 38% of the crop made the grand vin and it is superbly expressive. Wonderfully aromatic with silky texture, yet tight and densely structured. Hard to describe but, believe us, it is very good. 2012–2025.	-	£950.00
CM6841	Château Lafite, Pauillac Superb quality here too, as a result of a very rigorous selection (only 43% went into the grand vin). Wonderfully fine, rich cabernet sauvignon picked at the optimum moment. Elegance and finesse but no lack of power. Great class. 2012–2025.	-	£950.00

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2001 DRY WHITE BORDEAUX

BW1661	Clos Floridene, Graves Denis and Florence Dubourdieu's home property makes a full, well-rounded wine of great individuality and quality. 2003–2008.	£72.00
BW1771	Château La Tour Martillac, Pessac-Léognan Very attractive and full, this will benefit from a few years' ageing. It stood out for its quality on three separate occasions. 2004–2010.	£125.00
BW1621	Château Carbonnieux, Pessac-Léognan A wine of immense charm with a round and delicious palate and lovely aftertaste. Drink early or late. 2003–2008.	£130.00
BW1711	Domaine de Chevalier Blanc, Pessac-Léognan Consistently one of the top few Bordeaux whites with distinguished bouquet and great length of flavour. Rewards patience. Keep till 2010 to 2018 if you can.	£295.00

2001 SAUTERNES AND BARSAC

BW1761	Château Lamothe-Guignard, Sauternes Honeyed, round, ripe, luscious fruit with a note of ripe apricots on the bouquet. Superb richness. 2004–2014.	£135.00
H BW1641	Château Doisy-Daëne, Barsac Very fine, spicy, perfumed fruit. A racier more 'nerveux' version of the splendid '89 reckons Dubourdieu. 2004–2014. <i>Halves also available, see order form.</i>	£176.00
BW1691	Château Sigalas-Rabaud A great success with wonderful, rich, luscious fruit and seductive butterscotch aroma. The real thing. 2004–2020.	£180.00
BW1741	Château Lafaurie-Peyraguey, Sauternes Splendidly and powerfully rich. This delivers the power and finesse and lusciousness you would expect of a good Sauternes. 2006–2020.	£250.00
BW1701	Château Coutet, Barsac Tremendously appealing with an elegance and 'lift' that sets the great Barsacs apart from Sauternes. A delightful vintage here. 2004–2020.	£265.00
H BW1671	Château Suduiraut, Sauternes Big, rich, intensely sweet fruit and lusciously round palate with explosive fruit aroma. The extra sweetness and concentration recalls the great vintages of the sixties and fifties here. 2006–2020. <i>Halves also available, see order form.</i>	£286.00
H BW1731	Château Guiraud, Sauternes There is a higher percentage of sauvignon of superb quality in this Guiraud. Gorgeous fruity aroma with hints of smokiness and mandarin orange. Rich, unctuous, generous, full and long-lasting sweetness. 2006–2020. <i>Halves also available, see order form.</i>	£286.00
H BW1721	Château Rieussec, Sauternes Seductively aromatic with hints of pineapple and orange on the nose. The flavour is tremendously rich, sweet and fruity yet with a lightness of touch from the fruity acidity to give it balance. 2004–2020. <i>Halves also available, see order form.</i>	£320.00
H BW1681	Château Climens, Barsac Like '88 (a stunning vintage for Climens) reckons maître de chai Pierre Broustaut. Gorgeous quality here, though as always, still in its separate elements waiting for the final assemblage. Luscious fruit, great character and vitality. 2006–2025. <i>Halves also available, see order form.</i>	£470.00

2001 CLARET-IN-BOND MIXED CASES

2001 GOOD VALUE BORDEAUX

ref OC1206 at £72.00

contains three bottles each of

Château Beaumont, Haut-Médoc
Château Siaurac, Lalande de Pomerol
Château Dutruch-Grand-Poujeaux,
Moulis
Château Charmail, Haut-Médoc

OLD FAVOURITES

ref OC1216 at £130.00

contains three bottles each of

Château d'Angludet, Margaux
Château Batailley, Pauillac
Château Talbot, St Julien
Château Cantemerle, Haut-Médoc

FOUR COMMUNES

ref OC1226 at £202.00

contains three bottles each of

Château Prieuré-Lichine, Margaux
Château Langoa-Barton, St Julien
Château Grand-Puy-Lacoste,
Pauillac
Château Bel Air, St Emilion

2001 SAUTERNES CASE

ref OC1246 at £267.00

contains two bottles each of

Château Coutet, Barsac
Château Lafaurie-Peyraguey, Sauternes
Château Suduiraut, Sauternes
Château Guiraud, Sauternes
Château Doisy-Daëne, Barsac
Château Rieussec, Sauternes

TOP OF THE CLASS

ref OC1236 at £282.00

contains three bottles each of

Château Léoville-Barton, St Julien
Château Ducru-Beaucaillou, St Julien
Château Lynch-Bages, Pauillac
Château Rauzan-Ségla, Margaux

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