

# CHÂTEAU LA GARRICQ

## Cru Bourgeois AOC MOULIS

Vintage  
2009

### **Vintage profile : Simply exceptional !**

Despite the fears caused by May severe hail storms, weather conditions of the following months were exceptional and contributed to save the 2009 harvest. We benefited from a generous weather which encouraged healthy and high quality grapes.

A lot of sun and high temperatures were on the agenda of the 2009 summer. This nice weather lasted until the month of September during which the temperature differences between warm days and cool nights were largely favorable to the grapes' ripening and berries' concentration. The 2009 harvest reached a beautiful balance between sugar and low acidity levels, berries were very aromatic and skins showed an intense color.

### **Harvest date**

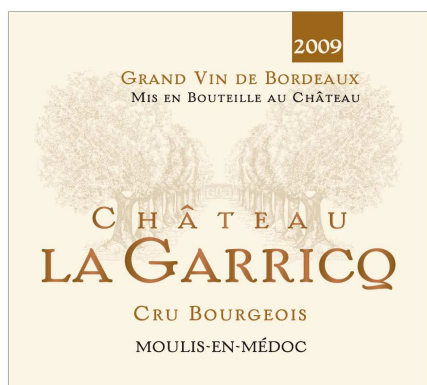
Merlot : October 6th

Petit Verdot : October 9th

Cabernet Sauvignon : October 15th

Malolactic fermentation of the free-run juice in oak barrels after drainage.

All press cuts are kept separately in barrels during a period of 10 days in order to refine the selection.



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<b>AOC</b>	Moulis Cru Bourgeois
<b>Yield</b>	42 hl/ha
<b>Vinification</b>	Plot by plot Temperature controlled fermentation in stainless steel tanks Post fermentation maceration between 25 and 30 days
<b>Consulting winemaker</b>	Daniel Llose
<b>Aging</b>	12 months in oak casks 90% French oak 10% American oak medium toasted 30% new oak
<b>Fining</b>	With egg albumin after final blending No filtering before bottling
<b>Blend</b>	Cabernet Sauvignon 54% Merlot 33% Petit Verdot 13%
<b>Alcohol</b>	14 % Vol
<b>Production</b>	13 000 bottles

### **\*1 étoile**

Ce 2009 séduit par son bouquet élégant et complexe, alliance de fruits rouges, de cassis, de violette et de réglisse, en parfaite harmonie avec un palais ample aux tannins de qualité, qui auront besoin pour s'affirmer d'un séjour de trois ans au moins en cave.

**Guide Hachette des Vins Sélection 2013**

### **87-90**

Subtle aromas of Indian spices and minerals, with fruit. Medium-bodied, with fine tannins and an attractive finish. Balanced.

**Wine Spectator, James Suckling, 1er avril 2010**

### **\*\*\*16,38**

Deep yet restrained aromas of jammy, ripe fruit, creamy oak and spice. Palate offers ripe berry and plum flavors well matched to tannins. Very promising. Drink: 2014.

**Decanter, Février 2012**

### **18/20**

2014–2028 / 50 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Merlot, 15 % Petit Verdot. Sattes Purpur-Granat. Intensives Maulbeerbouquet, zart röstige Kaffeesüsse, feine Komplexität. Cremiger, feinsten Gaumen mit delikater Opulenz, viel schwarze Kirschen. Ein toll gelungener Moulis, von dem es leider nur 13 500 Flaschen gibt. Die eine oder andere davon zu suchen lohnt sich auf jeden Fall!

Weinwisser,

**René Gabriel, 30 avril 2010**