

# MAISONS MARQUES & DOMAINES

## CHATEAU *Lafleur-Gazin*



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Pomerol, France  
Vintage: 2014

### Overview

Situated on the northern edge of the plateau of Pomerol, nestled between Château Gazin and Château La Fleur-Pétrus, this wine has been produced by Ets. Jean-Pierre Moueix since 1976 for the Borderie family, owners since 1930.

The Merlot vines (averaging 30 years of age), are planted on gravel and clay. The Cabernet Franc is planted on silt soils, which encourage a nuanced and full expression of this varietal's character. The vineyard management and vinification are carried out traditionally and with great care, producing a plump, supple, fleshy wine with ripe fruit and silky tannins.

### Winemaking

In thermo-regulated concrete & stainless-steel vats. Gentle & controlled maceration & extraction.

### Tasting Notes

Eminently approachable, even in its youth, Lafleur-Gazin is a delightful expression of the lighter style of Pomerol wines.

### Harvest Notes

The winter of 2013-2014 saw a series of violent storms, heavy rainfall and exceptional mildness. Although the weather calmed down somewhat by the spring, the mildness remained. The warm, dryer conditions allowed for an even flowering. Summer was again marked by powerful storms and rains but this hot, wet, almost tropical weather positively encouraged the active growth of the vines.

The conditions became much dryer towards the end of August, and the heat remained a constant throughout September and well into October, ensuring that 2014 would be a vintage of great quality.

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Varietals: 95% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc  
Soil Composition: 2/3 gravel, 1/3 sand  
Average Vine Age: 30 years  
Aging: 16-18 months in French oak barrels (30-40% new)