



# FICHE TECHNIQUE

## Château Olivier Red 1996



Grand Vin du Château Olivier  
*Grand Cru Classé de Graves*

Appellation : Pessac-Léognan

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## Vineyard

Area	40 Ha (100 acres)
Soils	Gravels (50%), clay-limestone (35%) and sands (15%)
Varieties	Cabernet Sauvignon (45%), Merlot (45%), Cabernet Franc (10%)
Average age	22 years

## Winemaking

Harvesting	By hand, in small baskets, sorting of the fruits.
Vinification	Slow fermentations with temperature control, Long and soft post fermentation extraction, skin contact, Malo-lactic fermentation in vats and barrels.
Ageing	12 months, 35% new barrels

## Tasting Notes **Millésime 1996**

A good colour with some brick-red glints. A fruity nose with typical Cabernet Sauvignon characters and touches of liquorice, blackcurrant, as well as oaky, vanilla notes. Elegant, supple and fleshy on the palate. Tannins are in abundance but soft, in keeping with the vintage.

## Commercialization

Annual production : ± 120,000 bottles

France, Germany, Switzerland, UK, Belgium, The Netherlands, USA, Canada, Japan, Hong Kong, Singapour

