

Château l'Avocat, Graves 2005
(17pts/20) ★★★★★

'Lemon yellow. Attractive white flower nose. Good expression of harmonious Graves fruit; a lovely wine and still young. 2008–10.'
£12.87; J&B



Château l'Avocat, Graves 2006
(17/20) ★★★★★

'Very pale yellow. White flowers and minerals on the nose. Nice lift of florality on the palate; an elegant Graves from a good origin. 2008–10.'
£12.50; J&B

Berry Bros & Rudd, Extra Ordinary White, Graves 2006
(16.5/20) ★★★★★

'Pale lemon yellow. Fresh white flowers and a nice touch of oak on the nose. Oak adds complexity and weight to the palate, remaining fresh and balanced. 2008–9.'
£11; BBR

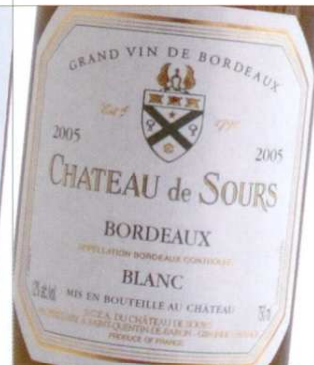


'It was a great tasting. There was enormous consistency. Bordeaux's reputation for making dull Sauvignon Blanc is completely wrong'

Margaret Rand

Château de Rochmorin, Pessac-Léognan 2006 (16.5/20) ★★★★★

'Pale lemon yellow. Discreet yet fine floral nose. Broader flavours on the palate; good fruit, personality and minerally length. 2008–10.'
£9.99, Msn



Château de Sours, Bordeaux 2005 (16.5/20) ★★★★★

'Pale yellow. Lifted, floral fruit nose. Good follow-through of minerality and elegance on the palate; an elegant wine. 2008–10.' £8.52; PrC

'The Graves were a revelation, where the unoaked wines had depth to match the freshness and the oaked wines had sufficient natural flavour to carry the oak effortlessly'

Richard Bampfield MW



Château Lamothe-Vincent, Heritage, Bordeaux 2007
(16+/20) ★★★

'Lemon yellow. Quite rich nose with Semillon overtones. Full and quite fleshy on the palate; good vineyard character, ripe but dry finish. 2008–9.'
£9; Osb

Vieux Château Gaubert, Graves 2006 (16+/20) ★★★

'Pale lemon yellow. Floral and fresh nose. A touch of white honey on the palate; good acidity and length. 2008–9.' £11.50; EdP



Château Beaumont, Les Perrières, Premières Côtes de Blaye 2006 (16/20) ★★★

'Medium lemon yellow. Good Sauvignon–Sémillon fruit nose with oak blended in. Fruity and fleshy palate, oak adds interest; good dry finish. 2008–9.' £7.95; L&S