HOUSE OF TOWNEND

Château Gruaud Larose 2022, 2ème Cru, Saint-Julien

Price	£120.00
Code	GRUA235

One of the most famous and historic Saint Julien 2nd Growth properties, it has also been one of the most popular for many years. A consistent high performer.

Tasting Notes:

This is an outstanding claret, one of the star performers, not only from St Julien but also the whole weeks tasting at the UGC. A superb, rich and forward nose, seemingly powerful, but at the same time not over-blown. In the mouth the wine rolls and reveals itself gradually, rich sweet dark berry fruit streaked through with acidity and savory graphite, cedar and minerality. There is a sense of real power here, almost brooding and magnificent, yet the thrill of the acidity gives this wine energy and focus – very finely tuned and muscular tannins encase the sweet core, the oak is deft and not overly dominant.



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Specification	
Vinification	The wine is vinified in a combination of cement tanks and wood vats. A portion of the malolactic fermentation takes in place in French, oak barrels (about 35%). The remainder of the malolactic fermentation takes place in a combination of cement vats and oak tanks. The wine of Chateau Gruaud Larose is then aged in 95% new, French oak barrels for about 18 months.
ABV	13.5%
Size	75cl
Drinking Window	Drink from 2032 through to 2048
Country	France
Region	Bordeaux
Area	Saint-Julien
Type	Red Wine
Grape Mix	83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc
Genres	Fine Wine
Vintage	2022
Body	Rich, bold and robust
Producer	Château Gruaud-Larose
Producer Overview	Gruaud-Larose, a second growth property in the Saint-Julien appellation, is a large historic estate whose size has hardly changed through the centuries.
Closure Type	Cork
Food Matches	Pair with classic meat dishes, veal, pork, beef, lamb, duck, game, roast chicken, roasted, braised and grilled dishes.