



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