

October 2025 Session Report

Session Theme: Puillac

Date: 28.10.2025

Location: Palazzo Capua

Menu:

- Paccheri rabbit confit, lentils, creamed jus
- Braised lamb shank, garlic mash, root vegetables, own jus
- Rich dark chocolate tart, vanilla ice cream & berry compote

Food Scoring: 8.2/10

		House	Wine	Region	Country	Vintage	Voting Out of 20	RRP	Importer	Consumption
Aprtf	White	Elena walch	Pinoy Grigio Selezione	Alto Adige	Italy	2023	7.1	€13.50	Farsons	13
A	White	Château Carbonnieux	Blanc	Pressac Leognan	France	2020	16.1	€47.50	Farsons	9
B	Red	Chateau Haut Batailley	Verso	Puillac	France	2017	15.6	€32.00	Farsons	8
C	Red	Lynch Bages	Echo de Lynch Bages	Puillac	France	2020	15.3	€65.00	Farsons	8
D	Red	Chateau Latour	Le Pauillac de Latour	Puillac	France	2015	16.7	€82.50	Farsons	9
				Average					Average per member	1.04


Wine: Château Carbonnieux Blanc	Region: Pressac Leognan
Vintage: 2020	Varietal: Predominantly Sauvignon Blanc with Sémillon
Alcohol Content: 13%	Price: € 47.50

Château Carbonnieux, located in the Pessac-Léognan appellation of Bordeaux, is a historic estate founded in the 13th century and classified as Grand Cru Classé de Graves for both red and white wines. Owned by the Perrin family since 1956, it spans about 95–100 hectares, producing elegant reds and fresh, mineral-driven whites primarily from Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Sauvignon Blanc, and Sémillon. Known for sustainability, the estate holds HVE3 certification and offers wine tourism experiences. Its second wines include *La Croix de Carbonnieux* and *Château Tour Léognan*, and it remains celebrated for quality and tradition across centuries. Tasting Notes:

Nose
Fresh and vibrant aromas of **citrus fruits** (lemon, grapefruit), **white peach**, and **pear**.
Floral hints of **acacia** and **hawthorn**, with subtle **mineral notes**.
Light touch of **vanilla** and **toast** from oak aging.


Palate
Crisp and lively acidity with a **medium body**.
Flavors of **lime zest**, **green apple**, and **tropical fruit** (pineapple).
Balanced by a creamy texture from lees aging, finishing with a **long, mineral-driven finish**.

Critics' Impressions
James Suckling: Notes of citrus and stone fruit, elegant and fresh.
Wine Enthusiast: Structured, with good aging potential (5–8 years).
Decanter: Bright, pure fruit with a saline edge.




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Wine: Chateau Haut Batailley - Verso	Region: Pauillac
Vintage: 2017	Varietal: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot
Alcohol Content: 15%	Price: €32
Description The name "Batailley" comes from battles that reportedly took place on the estate during the Hundred Years' War. Since 2017, the property has been managed by the Cazes family, who continue the classic Médoc style.	
Tasting Notes Appearance: Deep ruby red with purplish-blue hues, indicating youth and vibrancy. Nose: Aromas of spice (notably pepper), scrubland herbs , and black fruits like blackcurrant and blackberry . Additional notes include cedar , tobacco , basil , toast , and a hint of vanilla . Palate: Medium-bodied with a clean and frank attack , balanced by enveloping tannins . Flavors of dark berries , plum , charred wood , forest floor , and earthy undertones . A smooth mouthfeel , with a dry, mineral-tinged finish and high acidity . Structure: Silky tannins , medium (+) acidity , and a medium (+) finish . Described as accessible , harmonious , and well-integrated , with good potential for short- to mid-term aging	



Wine: Echo de Lynch Bages	Region: Pauillac
Vintage: 2020	Varietal: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot
Alcohol Content: 13%	Price: €60
Description Echo de Lynch-Bages is the second wine of the prestigious Château Lynch-Bages estate in Pauillac, Bordeaux. Originally known as Château Haut-Bages Averous , it was renamed in 2008 to better reflect its connection to the Grand Vin. The name “Echo” is inspired by the Greek mythological nymph Echo , symbolizing elegance and subtlety.	
Tasting Notes Aromatics James Suckling: Intense graphite, violet, and lead pencil. Iodine notes add depth. “Super second wine” reminiscent of Lynch’s grand vin from the 1980s. Lisa Perrotti-Brown: Baked black and red cherries, plum preserves, blackcurrant cordial, tobacco leaf, and leather. Decanter: Bramble fruit, toasty aromas, soft florality, and graphite grip. Wine Cellar Insider: Red currants, tobacco leaf, spice, floral and sweet notes.	
Palate Medium-bodied with succulent, grainy tannins and a chewy texture. Saline and savory finish with freshness and elegance. Structured and serious, with fine tannins and a cool grip. Juicy, vibrant, and refined with a plump core of red fruit.	



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Wine: Pauillac de Latour	Region: Pauillac
Vintage: 2015	Varietal: 54.2% Cabernet Sauvignon, 41.7% Merlot, 4.1% Petit Verdot
Alcohol Content: 13%	Price: €82.5

The **Pauillac de Latour 2015** is a compelling third wine from the prestigious Château Latour estate in Bordeaux, offering a refined yet approachable expression of the Pauillac terroir

Appearance: Deep garnet to ruby red with violet hues, reflecting its youthful vibrancy.

Nose:
Aromas of **blackberries**, **blackcurrants**, and **black cherry preserves**.
Subtle layers of **cocoa**, **vanilla**, **licorice**, **spice box**, and **tobacco**.
Hints of **graphite**, **sandalwood**, and **potpourri** add complexity.

Palate:
Medium-bodied with a **silky texture** and **velvet tannins**.
Flavors of **cassis**, **cherry**, **chocolate**, and **dark fruits** dominate.
Balanced by **fresh acidity** and a **discreet minerality** on the finish.
Some tasters noted a **slightly astringent** or **tight finish**, suggesting it benefits from decanting or further aging.

Structure:
Well-structured with **fine tannins** and a **lingering finish**.

