

**\$9.99**

Retail

**\$40.00**

Savings

**75%**

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## 2015 Château La Fleur Pontus product-nottimed-pdf - Fronsac AOC, Bordeaux, France - 98pt Vintage | Cellar Worthy DI

### Why We're Drinking It

A “**Cinderella selection**” if ever there was one, this young Bordeaux is from a 98-point vintage and from a much-underrated appellation just a few miles from such luminaries as Cheval Blanc and Petrus. Sourcing fruit from the same terroir (clay and limestone) that makes wines from St. Emilion so special and so collectible, this Merlot-dominated Bordeaux blend is full of black currant, baking spice, and fresh blackberry aromatics.

Delicious now in its early years, this 2015 promises a long cellar life (in the unlikely event you're able to resist consuming this one now with beef, lamb or poultry). “Among the smaller Right Bank appellations, savvy readers should pay extra attention to Fronsac this year,” says Galloni of 2015. Members should also pay attention quickly, as this Exclusive will not last long.

- “Radiant,” according to Vinous, the 2015 vintage was rated an incredible 98 points from the Wine Enthusiast. Already 2015 has been called one of the very best years in decades for red Bordeaux.
  - “After several challenging years, Mother Nature gave Bordeaux a beautiful growing seasons,” writes the Wine Spectator regarding 2015. “2015 should easily be the best vintage since 2010.”
  - Owned by Horeau-Beylot, a négociant house founded in 1740. Horeau Beylot is one of Bordeaux's oldest négoce and has been in the hands of the same family for going on 10 generations.
  - Fronsac is a satellite appellation next door to the much more famous Saint-Emilion and Pomerol. Like both its neighbors, wines from Fronsac are made predominantly from Merlot, with Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc as supporting stars.
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### Tasting Notes

*From the winery:*

Lively, elegant, and well-balanced with a nice aromatic expression.

**VARIETAL**

90% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon

**APPELLATION**

Bordeaux, France

**ALCOHOL**

14.00

**SIZE**

750ml

**BLEND**

90% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon

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### The Story to Know

*From the winery:*

The Pradel de Lavaux family, owner of the nice Château du Fort Pontus in Fronsac, (where lived the famous painter René Princeteau), presents you this special Cuvée: La Fleu Pontus. This is a great wine coming from the best terroirs of Fronsac.

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### Perfect Pairings

*From the winery:*

Perfect with grilled meats, game, and cheeses. Best served between 16° and 18° C

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## Ratings

94 *Insider Points*

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## Reviews

Silky smooth from front to back, this newly landed cuvee is primed for collection. I selected the La Fleur Pontus from a large list of one of our best *negociants*, an easy choice coming from the stellar 2015 vintage. Black currant and fig on the nose. Medium-full bodied, showing layers of savory fruits and a dash of clay minerality. Plum, cranberry, aniseed, black pepper and wild clove, with an undertone of raw cacao. Finishes with a sharp rise and a steady fall. Can cellar another 6-12 years. *94 Points - JZ Nov '18*