



CHATEAU L'ARCHANGE

Saint-Emilion

2001



The renaissance of our small Saint Emilion vineyard culminated in the year 2000 with the first vintage of Château L'Archange. Pascal Chatonnet christened Château L'Archange under the protective aura of the angels of the higher order, who form the divine court of the Lord and spread the Word of God.

Pascal Chatonnet chose the archangel Raphael to represent the 2001the vintage. The most important reference to the archangel Raphael is unquestionably to be found in the Bible. The Book of Tobias recounts how Raphael became a sort of prototype for guardian angels thanks to his protection of Tobias. In this narrative, Raphael also teaches Tobias how to use the heart, liver, and bile of big fish from the Tigris as medicine (in the broadest sense of the word, not only to cure physical ills, but also to subdue evil spirits). Raphael is cited as the protector of the evening winds, the Guardian of the Tree of Life in the Garden of Eden, Angel of Repentance, Angel of the Prayer, Angel of Love, and Angel of Joy and Light. However, Raphael is above all the Angel of Healing, Science, Knowledge and Providence, who watches over all of humanity. His name means "Divine Healer" or "God's Healer". All healing comes from him and, as Messenger of Divine Providence, he guides those searching for unity with the Godhead. He is the essential, definitive healer of all evil. In other words, he helps us return to the source of all that is holy. He saves our bodies, minds, and hearts, and eases our suffering. Reflecting Raphael's image, we hope you find 2001 Château L'Archange to be an elixir delivering you from evil and providing a wonderful sense of well being !

PRESS REVIEWS :

WEINWISSER - René Gabriel - Switzerland - 2001 l'Archange : 17/20

"Deep ruby with purple highlights. Intense bouquet of preserved fruit, lavender, banana, and blackcurrant. Well-integrated and full-bodied on the palate, with dark chocolate and liquorice overtones. Aftertaste simply bursting with gorgeous blackcurrant. Clearly a top-level wine. 2005-2016."

CARNETS DE DÉGUSTATION Bettane & Desseuve - France - Bordeaux futures 2001: 2001 l'Archange = 7.5/10.

"Here is a cuvée prestige whose concentration, deep black colour, intense blackberry liqueur aromas, and unctuousness - almost creaminess - on the palate stand out wonderfully... an impressively stylish wine."

DECANTER - Juin 2002 - Great Britain - 2001 l'Archange = **Highly Recommended ******

"Marvellous aromatic bouquet. Beautiful and rather modern in style with a peppermint aftertaste. Four stars for originality! 2006-2010."

WINE ADVOCATE - Robert Parker - USA - April 2002 - 2001 l'Archange : 88

"Very characteristic, seductive, floral bouquet with ripe blackberry and raspberry overtones. This wine starts out wonderfully soft on the palate, with purity and elegance. Medium body with a relatively long aftertaste. 2005-2012."

WINE SPECTATOR - James Suckling - USA - Bordeaux 2001 Tasting Notes : 2001 l'Archange : 88

"A fruity red with a great deal of redcurrant and mineral characteristics. Medium-bodied with fresh tannin and lively acidity. Fairly traditional, but absolutely delicious!"

LA REVUE DU VIN DE FRANCE - June 2002 - France - "We really liked" category : Saint Emilion = 2001 Château L'Archange.

VINO MAGAZINE - May 2002 - Belgium: Great successes in St Emilion = 2001 l'Archange.

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TECHNICAL FACT SHEET

<i>AREA UNDER VINE :</i>	1.12 hectares
<i>SUN EXPOSURE :</i>	North-South
<i>GEOLOGY :</i>	Sandy-clay soil with a molasse subsoil on the sandy St Emilion glaciais, with restructured and drained vineyard plots
<i>GRAPE VARIETIES</i>	100% Merlot
<i>AVERAGE AGE OF THE VINES :</i>	22 years
<i>ROOTSTOCK :</i>	3309C, 101-14 MG
<i>VITICULTURE</i>	Traditional
<i>HARVESTING :</i>	Grapes picked when perfectly ripe
<i>FERMENTATION :</i>	Each plot is fermented separately combining the best of modern techniques and Bordeaux tradition
<i>AGEING :</i>	18 months in oak barrels, in a specially-designed underground cellar
<i>YIELDS :</i>	45 hectolitres/hectare
<i>ANNUAL PRODUCTION</i>	416 cases in 2001
<i>SALES :</i>	To the Bordeaux merchants and to private customers at the estate
<i>TOURS :</i>	By appointment only, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2-6 p.m.
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