

# Château de Rayne Vigneau

Premier Grand Cru Classé de Sauternes en 1855

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## Vintage 2007



## Terroirs

The soil of these vineyards, mainly gravel and sand with clay subsoil, are surprisingly rich in agates, amethysts, onyx, and even sapphires.

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## Surface of the vineyard

84 ha

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## Planting density

6 666 Vines / ha

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## Average Age of the vines

30 years

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## Appellation

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## Farming method

Parcel management of soil and vineyard.  
Certified sustainable farming.



1<sup>er</sup> Grand Cru Classé

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## *Climatic Conditions*

The rainy episodes of July and August allowed Botrytis to develop on the vineyard. Then, with the rain in September, the noble rot really started. Five passages through the vineyard were necessary for this vintage.

## *Ripening phases*

Flowering: mid May, over 4 weeks

## *Harvest*

From 10th September until 25th October, with 5 successive passages through the vines

## *Yields*

23,39 hl / ha

## *Winemaking*

The grapes are fermented in French oak barrels in a temperature controlled winery. The wine then is matured for 18 months in the barrels, with 40 to 50% new barrels being used for each vintage.

## *Production*

80 000 bottles

## *The blend*

80% Sémillon  
20% Sauvignon Blanc

## *Tasting notes*

Golden appearance with honey tints. Very expressive nose that develops aromas of dried oranges and lemon zest, predicting a great freshness. On the palate, the wine is full bodied and shows a remarkable balance between sugar and acidity.

## *Awards & Comments*

Neal Martin: 95 / 100  
Wine Spectator: 95 / 100  
Decanter: 19 / 20



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