

2005 Château Fleur Haut Gaussens

WHO: Château Fleur Haut Gaussens

WHAT: Red Bordeaux blend WHERE: Bordeaux, France

WHEN: 2005

This Bordeaux Supérior seems to be hitting its stride, reaching a peak drinking window after five years. Blackberries, black cherry, and some cured meat lead the attack, followed by surprising and light spearmint. Tannins are firm, but not overpowering, ready to pair with a steak. Acids are in balance. It is slightly simple, lacking secondary and tertiary waves of flavor, but still offers far more than anybody could expect at the price point. DH

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