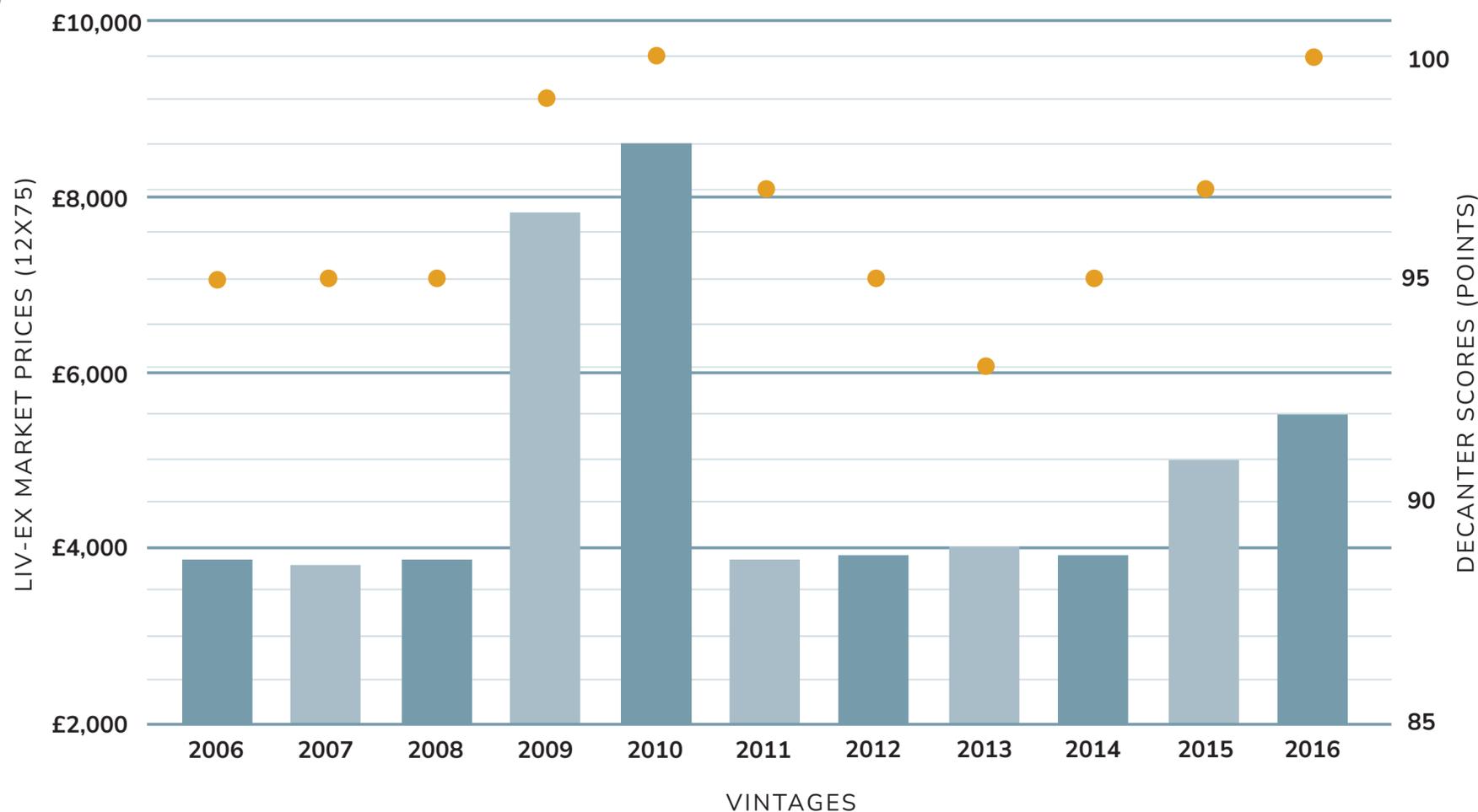




Château Latour: 2006-2016



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Average case price (12x75):	£4,918
Cheapest vintage:	2007 (£3,790)
Vintages of interest:	2016, 2011, 2008

VINTAGE	LIV-EX MARKET PRICES	DECANTER SCORE
2006	£3,850	95
2007	£3,790	95
2008	£3,800	95
2009	£7,680	99
2010	£8,550	100
2011	£3,850	97
2012	£3,950	95
2013	£4,064	93
2014	£3,960	95
2015	£5,000	97
2016	£5,603	100

Since withdrawing from the en primeur process, Château Latour has been releasing stock it considers 'ready-to-drink' each spring.

The peak prices for its 2009 and 2010 wines – the latter currently priced at over £8,000 per case (12x75) – helps raise its overall average to be the most expensive of all the first growths.

Strip those heavy-hitters out, however, and many of its wines are priced similarly to those of its peers.

The obvious pick here is the 2016 vintage which was released earlier this year. Rated a perfect 100 by Hindle who called it a 'monumental Latour', it has a lot of catching up to do to catch the price of the illustrious 2010, which is nearly £3,000 more expensive.

But, at £5,600 (12x75) itself, it represents a fairly sizeable outlay in order to buy in.

Meanwhile, the 97-point 2011 looks like a bit of a sleeper. Rated by Jane Anson in 2021,

she noted it was, 'a delicious wine that stands out from many in the vintage', with, 'a ton of personality'.

It's also considerably less expensive than some better-regarded vintages – a perfect example of the 'off' vintage effect.

Finally, among the estate's core of 95-point wines, its the rather classic and reliable 2008 that stands out as the one of the least-expensive of all.

- Most expensive first growth on average
- 100-pt 2016 looks very undervalued versus fellow 100 2010 and even 99-pt 2009
- 97-pt 2011 looking enticing at under £4,000 per dozen
- Fairly decent consistent prices for wines around 95-pts

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