

CHATEAU
CLAUD-BELLEVUE

Castillon Côtes de Bordeaux

2019

70% MERLOT- 30% CABERNET FRANC

COMPLEXITY & SOFTNESS

THE VINEYARD

10 HA ON CALCAREOUS HILLS, THE SOIL IS MADE OUT OF THIN LAYERS OF CLAY THAT GIVE GENEROSITY AND BALANCE TO THE WINE. AVERAGE VINE AGE HERE IS 15 YEARS OLD, PLANTED AT A DENSITY OF 5 000 TO 7 400 VINES/HA. WITH OUR RESTRUCTURATION PLAN OF THE VINEYARD THAT STARTED IN 2018 IN ORDER TO REACH OPTIMUM SOIL/GRAPE-VARIETY COMBINATION, WE HAVE KEPT A HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF MERLOT, WHILE CABERNET FRANC IS INCREASING ON THE MORE CALCAREOUS AREAS, WHILE SOME OLD VINES OF CABERNET SAUVIGNON REMAIN.

SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT IN THE VINEYARD: NO HERBICIDE, CEREALS AND LEGUMES ARE GROWN FOR BETTER SOIL OXYGENATION AND AS GREEN FERTILIZER.

HARVESTED BY HAND OCTOBER 1ST 2019.

WINEMAKING & MATURATION

WHOLE-BUNCH FERMENTATION. EXTRACTION BY RACK-AND-RETURN.
30 DAYS OF CUIVAISON.

MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION IN VATS AND BARRELS (1/3 NEW, 1/3 ONE-YEAR OLD, 1/3 TWO-YEARS OLD)

AGING FOR 12 MONTHS IN BARRELS AND 12 MONTHS IN VATS

23 013 BOTTLES AND 120 MAGNUMS WERE PRODUCED
14,5% VOL.

NOTES & ACCOLADES

JAMES SUCKLING	92/100
ANTONIO GALLONI	90/100
YOHAN CASTAING	90-92/100
CONCOURS DE BORDEAUX 2022	GOLD MEDAL
MUNDUS VINI 2023	GOLD MEDAL
CONCOURS MONDIAL DE BRUXELLES 2023	SILVER MEDAL

THIS DENSE AND POWERFUL WINE DISPLAYS A DEEP GARNET COLOR. IT SHOWS COMPLEX NOTES OF CINNAMON AND LICORICE, THEN EVOLVES IN THE MOUTH WITH A FULL AND FLESHY ATTACK. VERY SMOOTH FINISH. THE AROMAS OF RIPE FRUIT TYPICAL OF MERLOT SUBLIMATE THIS CHATEAU CLAUD BELLEVUE 2019.(TASTED ON OCTOBER 2021 IN SAINTE-COLOMBE)

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