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Château PAPE CLÉMENT 2015

PESSAC LEOGNAN ROUGE - CRU CLASSE

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OVERVIEW

Château Pape Clément is one of the oldest properties in Bordeaux. The vineyard was first planted in the 13th century by Bertrand de Goth, Archbishop of Bordeaux who became Pope in 1305, then took the name of Clément V. The château took its name from him. The estate produces wine in the same vineyards for over 7 centuries. In the 1980s, Bernard Magrez took over the Château and built an unprecedented international reputation for the Grand Cru Classé of Graves, thanks to hard work, constant questioning and the alliance of tradition.

VINEYARD

Soil: A mixture of gravelly-sandy soils and clay-limestone soils on limestone subsoil rich in iron

Surface: 53 hectares

Location: Located in Pessac, a few kilometers from Bordeaux

Average age of the vineyard: 27 years

Grape varieties: 51% Cabernet Sauvignon / 46% Merlot / 2% Petit Verdot / 1% Cabernet Franc

MAKING PROCESS

Parcel based management. Manual harvest. Manual destemming and use of a sorting table. Transfer into wooden vats by gravity flow. Low temperature pre-fermentation maceration. Manual punching down. 30-40 day maceration. The wine is run off into French oak barrels by gravity flow. Ageing for 18 months in oak barrels.

TASTING NOTE

The wine has a dark ruby red colour. The nose appears expressive and complex with notes of fruits (fresh blackcurrant, raspberry and crushed blackberry), flowers and spices. The palate is full of a high level of black fruit, all vaulted by an ample tannic structure which restores the fruit and a fresh note of Lebanese cedar.

MATCHING FOOD

Serve at 17-18°C with fine cooked meats such as terrine of rabbit or with toasts of smoked duck fillets. This wine will be the perfect partner for pan-fried boletus mushrooms and fresh herbs and white truffle risotto.

AGEING POTENTIAL

More than 15 years

AWARDS

Revue Du Vin De France: 18,5 - 19,5 | Wine Spectator: 95 | Decanter: 95 | Jean-marc Quarin: 17 | Jancis Robinson: 16,5 | Bettane & Desseauve: 18 - 18,5 | Rene Gabriel / Bordeaux Total: 20 | Neal Martin / Wine Advocate: 96 | Wine Enthusiast : 95 | James Suckling: 99 | Jeff Leve/wine Cellar Insider: 95



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