



Grand Vin de Chateau Bel-Air

Quinsac, Cadillac – Cotes de Bordeaux

History of the Estate

In 1716, Chateau Bel-Air was born on the foothills of the Garonne river. More than 150 years later, in 1898, Martin Borderie, a wine merchant from the Correze region came to Bordeaux and acquired the Chateau. He was the great-great-grandfather of the current proprietor Roland Coiffe. In 1921, Jean-Eugene Borie was born, and he devoted his professional life to Bordeaux fine wines by renovating Chateau Ducru Beaucaillou and then Chateau Grand-Puy Lacoste. In 2005, Golwinne & Roland took over the estate.

Only 500 cases of the Grand Vin are made in years were Roland & Golwinne think the quality of the harvest warrants it.

Winemaking and Vinification

The estate is 11 hectares of gravel and clay next to the Garonne river. The estate has a modern cellar with 10 concrete and 4 stainless steel tanks, all thermoregulated. The old barrel winery was also renovated. Slow pumping and “Burgundian” manual punching in order to break the cap of the grapes and release their juices. The best juice is placed in French oak barrels (1/3 new barrels, 1/3 of 1 vintage, 1/3 of 2 vintages) during 20 to 24 months. The wines are aged on lees. The other part of juices are blended and aged in our small concrete tanks for 18 to 20 months.

Tasting Notes & Food Pairing

Selected from the best plots, the color is a deep purple. The nose is abundant with blackberry fruit aromas and a touch of exotic spices. In the mouth, the attack is linear and well structured, while the wine expresses the complexity of the soils with mineral and salted aromas, well balanced by ripe fruits. The finish is fresh, long, and elegant.

Composition

85% Merlot

15% Cabernet Franc

Origin & Classification

Cadillac – Cotes de Bordeaux

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