



CHATEAU LA TOUR CARNET GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855

Château La Tour Carnet dates back to the 12th century and is one of the oldest estates in the Médoc region. The medieval architecture features a tower built in 1120 and the château is surrounded by a moat. La Tour Carnet has had several illustrious owners, including the family of Michel de Montaigne, one of the greatest French philosophers and twice-elected Mayor of Bordeaux. The vineyard of Château La Tour Carnet was planted there in 1407.

TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Appellation: Grand Cru Classé en 1855- Haut-Médoc

Location : Saint Laurent Médoc

Area under vines : 115 hectares

Grape varieties planted : 59 % Merlot, 37 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 3 % Petit Verdot, 1 % Cabernet franc

Age of the vines : 30 years

Planting density : 8,000 to 10,000 vines per hectare

Soil : Clay subsoil with a large proportion of limestone covered by a deep layer of Günz gravel

Vineyard management :

- Precision viticulture
- Thinning out of the leaves
- Green harvesting

Winemaking :

- 1st sorting in the vineyard
- Manual sorting in a vibrating table before and after destemming with a team of 35 people, followed by a destemming with a Pellenc Selectiv' process
- Winery
- Cooling off of the harvest through a cryogenic tunnel freezer (spraying of liquid nitrogen).
- Vatting by gravity flow with a funnel
- Fermentation in wooden vats and small capacity concrete tanks
- Cold pre-fermentation maceration (8°C).
- Manual punching down
- Alcoholic fermentation at low temperature (28°C).
- Maceration for 25 to 32 days.
- Aging in oak barrels for 16 months (30% new)

Average yields : 32 hl par hectare

Bottling : Expected by May 2014

Harvest dates: From 1st to 17th October



2013 BLEND

55% Merlot
45% Cabernet
Sauvignon