



Soutard is a very ancient place name. The vineyard is located on the unique limestone plateau where almost all of Saint Emilion's great growths can be found and stretches out over 27 hectares in one single block, 22 hectares of which are under wine. The Soutard wines have a subtle mixture of strength and elegance, witnessing the natural majesty of this wonderful terroir.



Château Soutard is now a property of the insurance group : *Ag2r La mondiale*, and its team is composed by **Bertrand de Villaines** – General Director, **Francis Bellet & Olivier Brunel**– Technical Directors, **Véronique Corporandy** – Wine Maker, **Danielle Basset** – Commercial and Logistic, **Hélène Weidig** – Reception, **Caroline Rihouet** – Oenotourism manager



VINEYARD

Geographical location

800 m from Saint Emilion

Total surface area

27 hectares

Planted surface area

22 hectares

Terroirs

16 hectares of clay & limestone plateau

2 hectares of clay slopes

4 hectares of sandy slopes

Grape varieties

70% Merlot, 30% Cabernet franc

Average age of vines

35 years

2005 VINTAGE

Beginning of harvest : September 27th, 2005

End of harvest : October 6th, 2005

Area used in production : 19 hectares

Yield : 35 hl/ha

Vinification

Concrete vats, temperature controlled

Malolactic fermentation

In barrels, new for 80 %.

Ageing in french oak barrel

70 % of new barrels, 30% of barrels of one wine.