



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 30 hectares in one single block, 20 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. Chateau Soutard is a property of the insurance Group AG2R LA MONDIALE.



<i>Founding date:</i>	XVIII th century
<i>General Manager:</i>	Bertrand de Villaines
<i>Chef de culture:</i>	Olivier Brunel
<i>Winemaker and commercial:</i>	Véronique Corporandy
<i>Geographical location:</i>	800 meters from Saint-Emilion
<i>Total surface area:</i>	30 hectares
<i>Terroirs:</i>	70 % of clay & limestone plateau, 17 % of clay slopes, 13 % of sandy slopes
<i>Grapes varieties:</i>	63 % merlot, 28 % cabernet franc, 7 % cabernet sauvignon, 2 % malbec
<i>Average age of vines:</i>	30 years

Vintage 2017

<i>Beginning of harvest:</i>	September, 20 th
<i>End of harvest:</i>	October, 10 th
<i>Area used in production:</i>	20 hectares
<i>Yield:</i>	39 hl/hectare and 70 % of first wine
<i>Alcohol:</i>	13,5% Vol.
<i>Vinification:</i>	Hand harvest. Storing of grapes in cold room during 24 hours. Transfer of the berries by gravity. 60 hl thermoregulated wooden tanks, stainless steel truncated cones, double wall of 60 hl In barrels for 50% of the harvest
<i>Ageing (french oak barrel):</i>	60% de new barrels, 40% one year old barrels
<i>Blend:</i>	90% merlot, 10% cabernet franc

« Little crispy red fruits and raspberry pips aromas on the nose.
On the palate, the attack is soft and smooth. The wine is tight and shows a nice length. Finely grained tannins. Final is long and aromatic. »