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Château Bel-Air – Red 2020

AOP Bordeaux



Blend 56% Merlot, 27% Cabernet Sauvignon et 17% Cabernet Franc

Winemaking

2020 was a solar vintage in Bordeaux, with high temperatures and little rain, which produced fleshy wines. The grapes were selected from the best vines of the family property. The clusters are meticulously picked, destemmed on the plot and then crushed when they arrive at the winery. Each grape variety is vinified separately. The alcoholic and malolactic fermentations take place in temperature-controlled stainless-steel tanks to optimize the extraction of color, fruit aromas and tannins. For this cuvée, the wines used in the blend have aged for a minimum of 6 months, in contact with French oak staves. The final blend results in a full-body wine, where the oak is supporting the fruit, very well-balanced with concentrated aromas of fleshy fruit and well-integrated tannins.

Tasting notes

- Eye: deep ruby-violet-black color
- Nose: very fresh, combination of strong notes of black currants, dark chocolate, tobacco and bay leaves.
- Palate: ripe, assertive and balanced, good and broad tannic structure with aromas of dark fleshy fruit (black cherries and blueberries)

Food pairings

This fleshy red wine will be a great accompaniment to meats with sauce, crunchy veggies, mashed potatoes, spicy food and cheeses.



Alcohol content

14% by volume



Serving temperature

Serve slightly chilled (14 $^\circ$ - 16 $^\circ\text{C})$

The heritage of Vignobles Mourgues: a family story.

The family Estate of Vignobles Mourgues is located in the Entre-Deux-Mers region, about 80 km east of Bordeaux. The current manager, Jérémy Mourgues, was only 25 when he joined the family business in 2005, after his studies. His grandparents and his parents passed on the family values to him: humility, hard work and perseverance. The property is HVE (High Environmental Value) certified, testifying to the Mourgues family's commitment to sustainable agriculture and to environmental preservation practices, to value the precious land of their ancestors. The Estate extends over 395 hectares: 315 hectares in AOP Bordeaux and 80 hectares in IGP Atlantique. Jérémy is currently working hard on a great agroforestry project with 4 hectares of vines cultivated biodynamically and fruit trees among them. This property will soon become a privileged place for wine tourism. Jérémy is an expert in winegrowing, and he also manages a vineyard-management company, offering all types of services. Many prestigious Châteaux in Bordeaux call on him for several of their vineyard operations. In 2019, Jérémy acquired and modernized a neighboring winery to produce his own bottles of wine, using the best grapes selected from his vineyards. With his consultant-oenologist Florent, they enjoy making wines for gastronomy and sharing, fruity and generous, that reflect the magnificent terroir on which the grapes are grown. They can also count on the valuable advices from the experts of Hubert de Boüard Consulting.