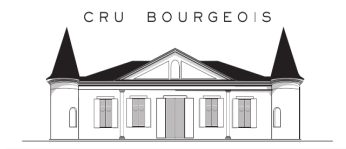


VIGNOBLE SECRET



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CHATEAU Bournac 2016

Appellation: Médoc

Location: Civrac en Médoc

Soil and sub-soil: Clay, chalk

Surface of the vineyard: 14 ha

Density of the plants: 5050 plants /ha

Yield: 48 hl/ha

Grape varieties: Cabernet sauvignon 64%, Merlot noir 36%

Average age of the vines: 45 years

Train of the vineyard:

- É Environmental friendly prevention, controlled weeding, work of the soil under the rows, grass between rows
- É Double guyot pruning and cordon pruning
- É Thinning out the leaves on both sides
- É Cutting of the vine-shoots on the top of the Merlot
- É We started a SME (Environmental Management System) procedure and wish to be certified ISO 14001; we are certified AREA (certification in the Aquitaine region aiming at a minimum impact of agricultural productions on the environment)

Harvest: Mechanic with de-stemming and sorting (from October 10 > 18, 2016)

Vinification:

- É Pre-fermentation and cold maceration (6-8°C)
- É Divided pumping over with 2 to 3 unloading.
- É Regulated fermentation (28-30°C)

Vat time: 5 weeks

Ageing process: 70% barrels: new barrels 33%, 1 year barrels 33%, 2 year barrels 33%. 30% in vats.

Ageing period: 12 months

Total production: 90 000 ó 100 000 bottles

Characteristics: Laying down wine, 10-15 years



91/100 James Suckling
91/100 Wine Doctor
90/100 WineEnthusias
88/100 Antonio Galloni
88/100 Jeb Dunnuck
88/100 Andreas Larsson

Vines have been grown on this estate since the beginning of the 20th century, but became the main cultivation in 1975, right after the SECRET family left the Picardie region to settle down in the Médoc. Three generations have succeeded each other with the same desire to produce wines from the Médoc region. After his arrival, Grandfather Pierre Secret revived a vineyard which had disappeared and vinified high quality wines. His two eldest sons created their own wine-growing enterprises, but it is his youngest son Bruno who takes over the estate in 1990 and works to build this cru's reputation until the 2007 vintage. Grandsons Guillaume and Thibaud joined Hubert and Didier Secret in the GAEC (grouping of joint enterprises) which now produces Château Bournac. They share different responsibilities; Didier and Guillaume work the vines, Hubert vinifies Château La Chandellière (another of their wines) and Thibaud oversees Château Bournac, but all decisions are made together. Recognized for its quality, this family run estate totaling 20 hectares is situated between the ocean and the Garonne River. It benefits from a very favorable climate ideal for wine growing. Total surface of the vineyard is 45 hectares that of Bournac is 14 hectares. The density per hectare is 5050 plants. The more than 35-year-old vines produce a wine full of black fruit, and a good balance between fruit, soft tannins and the subtle, velvety oak. Soil and sub-soil are of clay and chalk.