

Château Chantegrive Blanc 2014

CSPC# 790283

750mlx12

13.5% alc./vol.

Grape Variety

50% Sauvignon Blanc, 50% Sémillon

Appellation

Graves

Classification

Grand Vin de Bordeaux

Website

<http://www.chantegrive.com/>

General Info

In 1966 Henri and Françoise Leveque acquired a few plots of vines in the village of Podensac. After 40 years of patiently adding more prime plots, Château de Chantegrive is today one of the largest and most prestigious estates in the Graves appellation with 80 hectares of vines. It is a member of the Union des Grands Crus de Bordeaux. A new generation has now arrived, which, with its energy and committed involvement within the winegrowing world, has injected renewed impetus into the estate.

Vineyards

Château de Chantegrive Blanc Grand Vin de Bordeaux Graves 2014 is a blend of 50% Sauvignon Blanc and 50% Sémillon. The average age of the vines is 35 years, the terroir is characterized by sand with gravel and stones, the vineyards are in a southern orientation. 6,500 vines are cultivated per hectare.

Vinification/

Maturation

After pre-maceration, the fermentation takes place in temperature-controlled steel tanks. The wine was then left on the yeast for some time to increase the complexity.

Tasting Notes

Bright green yellow opens the overture. The balanced bouquet vibrates in the tension field between fruity aromas with white peach, lemon peel and pineapple, floral aromas like honeysuckle, lavender and acacia blossom and mineral aromas such as sea salt. On the palate first the Sauvignon Blanc, with gooseberries and citrus fruits, then, however, the Sémillon sounds through with yellow Steinobst, again everything very finely accompanied by a cool mineral touch.

Serve with

This wine is a perfect aperitif and goes nicely with lighter style cuisine. Enjoy Château de Chantegrive with scallops, summer salads with strawberries, pineapple, and blueberries, grilled chicken, zucchini, summer squash, and pasta with pesto and garlic sauces.

Cellaring

Drink 2016-2019

Scores/Awards

85-87 points - Neal Martin, Wine Advocate #218 - April 29, 2015

91-92 points - James Suckling, JamesSuckling.com - March 2015

85-87 points - Roger Voss, Wine Enthusiast - March 1, 2015

88 points - Jeff Leve, thewinecellarinsider.com - February 2017

87-88+ points - Jeremy Williams, winewordsandvideotape.com - March 2015

92+ points - Richard Jennings, rjonwine.com - January 2017

86 points - Jeannie Cho Lee MW, asianpalate.com - March 2015

15.5 points - La Revue du Vin France (score only)

13.5 points - Bettane & Desseauve (score only)

15.5 points - Gault & Millau (score only)

Gold Medal - International Mundus Vini Competition 2016

White Wine Trophy - Des Grand Cru de Graves 2015

Reviews

"The Château Chantegrive Blanc 2014 has a delightful peachy bouquet with citrus lemon and lime scents emerging with aeration. The palate is medium bodied with light lime cordial and peach notes, very commercially minded, the kind of white Graves you'll polish off in no time. Fine."

- NM, Wine Advocate

"Lots of mineral and dried fruit character with a sea salt and lavender undertone. Full-bodied, fruit and tangy."

- JS, JamesSuckling.com



Reviews *"86–88. Barrel Sample. Confectured, candy aromas lead to flavors of canned pineapple and an edgy texture of sweet, citrusy acidity. Its future is uncertain."*
- RV, Wine Enthusiast

"Well priced, dry, white Bordeaux wine with a vanilla tinged, fresh, just squeezed, bright array of citrus fruits and refreshing mouth feels, with a touch of honeysuckle, giving the wine more complexity."
- JL, thewinecellarinsider.com

"Silver gold; fine; some limes and lychees; wax; limes and lychees again; tight finish with nice apple acid bite; little grapefruit zest; fresh and crisp style. [60% Sauvignon Blanc, 40% Sémillon]. Drink 2016-2020. Tasted UGCB 1 April 2015. 87-88+"
- JW, winewordsandvideotape.com

"Light yellow color; aromatic, lemon oil, tart grapefruit, lemon verbena nose; tasty, lemon oil, tart grapefruit, lemon verbena palate with bright acidity; medium-plus finish (50/50 Semillon/Sauvignon Blanc) 92+ points"
- RJ, rjonwine.com

"Lively and fresh with herbal and gooseberry flavors. A light-bodied, elegant Chantegrive that is not very intense - should drink well over the next 3 to 6 years."
- JCL, asianpalate.com
