

Château Civrac LaGrange Cuvee Plaisir 2018

CSPC# 837714

750mlx12

13.0% alc./vol.

Grape Variety

70% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon

Appellation

Graves

Classification

AOC

Website

<https://www.vignobles-haverlan.com/en/vignobles-vins-3/chateau-civrac-lagrange.html>

General Info

Winegrower and builder are two words often used to describe Dominique Haverlan, born into a family of winemakers that has remained true to this terroir for multiple generations...

Wanting to stand on his own two feet, in 1988 Dominique Haverlan acquired Vieux Château Gaubert in Portets, then in disrepair. His energy is boundless, and he is a builder through and through. Tugging on his boots, he chose to embark on a winemaking adventure by wresting the estate from the hands of developers and elevating it to one of the greatest Graves wines of all.

Dominique Haverlan is therefore equally passionate about the stones used for building as he is about the gravel and sand that feed his vines. An owner who takes an uncommon approach to running his estate.

Building on this fruitful method with pride in his white and red wines that delight enthusiasts and professionals alike, Vignobles Haverlan has been able to set its sights higher and take charge of numerous other chateaus in the Graves and Pessac-Léognan wine regions.

Winemaker

Dominique Haverlan

Vintage

Bordeaux 2018 will be remembered as an exceptional year, with no shortage of outstanding wines from this extraordinary vintage. The weather too has been exceptional, with a glorious summer extending long into the September and early-October harvest, but the vintage had begun with a bizarrely challenging first half of the growing season. It has ended up, not for the first time, as a year of mixed fortunes.

Vineyards

310 hectares.

This gravel, from tiny stone chips to pudding stones smoothed and rounded by the passage of water have a thickness that varies from 20 centimeters to 3 metres and more. The exceptional Graves terroir expresses itself through a variety of stones made up of quartz, together with ochre, white, red, and pink quartzite, jasper, agate, flint and Lydian stone... in a harmonious and shimmering mix.

The terroir of Graves rests on a sub-soil strata of clay, sand and alios (a type of sand hardened by a blackish iron mixture), limestone and faluns (limestone flecked with shell-encrusted sand). These were deposited over the course of centuries by the Garonne River, from the end of the Tertiary Era and on into the Quaternary Era, shaped continuously by cycles of glaciation.

Cabernet Sauvignon: The oldest grape variety of Bordeaux, and the one most often responsible for a wine capable of graceful ageing and the development of a complex bouquet.

Merlot: Wines from the Merlot grape develop ripe fruit aromas and often have a slightly gentler tannic structure. They are well colored and age quicker than those from Cabernet Sauvignon; and the two grape varieties complement each other perfectly.

Cabernet Franc: Less prevalent than the previous two grape varieties, it nevertheless plays a considerable role and brings, through its richness in sugar and tannins, a suppleness and elegance.

Petit Verdot, Cot (or Malbec) are used only in small quantities.

Harvest

The red harvest starts with the Merlots around the third week in September followed by the Cabernets in early October.

Maturation

12 months in oak barrels



Tasting Notes Beautiful garnet red color. Aromatic wine. Very expressive nose with notes of red fruits (raspberry and blackberry). Elegant and round attack. Nice balance with silky and smooth tannins. Well balanced structure with harmonious tannins. Aromas of vanilla and red fruits. Charming and well-structured wine.

Serve with Ideal for a dinner aperitif, cold meats, beef, veal, poultry, cheeses

Production 60000 bottles cases made.

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