## Château De Macard 2009

CSPC# 745286 750mlx12 12.5% alc./vol. SOLD OUT

**Grape Variety** 50% Cabernet Franc, 30% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon **Appellation** Bordeaux Supérieur

General Info Chateau de Macard is a wine from the renowned Amélie Aubert, winemaker for the

Saint-Emilion estate Chateau Haut-Gravet (owned for 7 generations by the

Aubert family).

The Alain Aubert vineyards are an authentic family wine estate, run by Alain and his wife Bernadette with the help of their three daughters and one of their sons-in-law. Amélie Aubert is specialized in vine growing and wine making and is a certified

oenologist.

Vineyards This property is located on clay-limestone soils planted to 70% Merlot, 20% Cabernet-

Franc and 10% Cabernet Sauvignon: 45-year-old vines in limestone and clay soils on a

plateau overlooking the Dordogne River, 5 meters above the river, facing south.

The limestone is under a layer of dense clay, which, combined with abundant underground water, provides an excellent fertility.

**Harvest** The vines benefit from green harvest yields and deliberately limited in order to

promote quality.

**Maturation** The wines are aged in casks for 18 to 20 months depending on the vintage.

50% French Oak & 50% stainless steel.

Tasting Notes Deep Claret in colour. Aromas of red berries and currants, attractive fruit, with just a

hint of spice. Good balanced fruit flavors follow the nose, fresh and crisp, with lengthy of fresh-fruit acidity for structure and food-friendliness. Tannins barely

perceptible as red-fruit flavors linger in a good, long finish.

**Serve with** This wine is good with white meats, roasts and cream cheeses.

Production 5,000 cases made
Cellaring Drink now-2014

Reviews

Scores/Awards 90 points - James Molesworth, Wine Spectator - December 31, 2010

"Ripe and dense, but fresh, with silky-textured plum, blackberry and blueberry fruit carried by sweet spice and maduro tobacco notes. The fleshy finish shows nice drive. Should open up more with brief cellaring. Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. Drink now through 2011. 5,000 cases made."

- JM, Wine Spectator

"Toasty, spicy oak on the nose. Red and black fruits on the palate – ripe plum and cherry notes. There is an extra bit of ripeness here that I think is typical of the Right Bank in 2009. The character of the vintage also shows through in the fine tannins that emerge on the finish. A terrific value in an everyday Bordeaux. Drinkable now or over the next one to three years."

- K&L Wines

"Deep ruby at the core with a bright maroon rim. The nose is dominated by dark berry aromas as well as delicate notes of cedar and sage. On the palate, dark fruits meld with graphite, crushed rock, a touch of spice and hint of vanilla. Lushly textured with sweet tannins providing support on the finish, this is drinkable now but capable of holding for 5+ years. An enjoyable and charming Bordeaux for the price."

- JJ Buckley's Fine Wines

