



Chateau Bel-Air Cuvee Classique

Quinsac, Cadillac – Cotes de Bordeaux

History of the Estate

In 1716, Chateau Bel-Air was born on the foothills of the Garonne river. More than 150 years later, in 1898, Martin Borderie, a wine merchant from the Correze region came to Bordeaux and acquired the Chateau. He was the great-great-grandfather of the current proprietor Roland Coiffe. In 1921, Jean-Eugene Borie was born, and he devoted his professional life to Bordeaux fine wines by renovating Chateau Ducru Beaucaillou and then Chateau Grand-Puy Lacoste. In 2005, Golwinne & Roland took over the estate.

Winemaking and Vinification

The estate is 11 hectares of gravel and clay next to the Garonne river. The estate has a modern cellar with 10 concrete and 4 stainless steel tanks, all thermoregulated. The old barrel winery was also renovated. Slow pumping and “Burgundian” manual punching in order to break the cap of the grapes and release their juices. The best juice is placed in French oak barrels (1/3 new barrels, 1/3 of 1 vintage, 1/3 of 2 vintages) during 20 to 24 months. The wines are aged on lees. The other part of juices are blended and aged in our small concrete tanks for 18 to 20 months.

Tasting Notes & Food Pairing

The color is garnet-ruby and quite deep. The nose is rich with red fruits – strawberries & cherries – the attack is round and pleasant. In the mouth, the wine expresses density and heat. The finish is fresh with acidic and menthol notes. Well –structured and full of minerality and elegance.

Composition

75% Merlot
9% Cabernet Sauvignon
15% Cabernet Franc
1% Malbec

Origin & Classification

Cadillac – Cotes de Bordeaux

Awards

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Special Designations

Organic



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