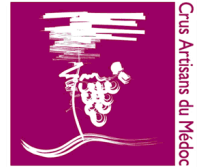


CHATEAU HAUT BLAIGNAN

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Crus Artisans du Médoc

OWNER / MUNICIPALITY: EARL BROCHARD CAHIER / Blaignan

PITCH : The “Cru Artisan”, or “Artisan’s Cru” has existed for more than a century and a half. Originally, the growers who owned these family vineyards were often craftsmen at the same time, working as bakers, carpenters, coopers, or in some other trade. With a strong sense of identity, these men of the soil struggled to ensure that the fruit of their labours survived economic crisis. Alone, with their family or with the help of employees, the artisan winegrowers take charge of the entire production chain, from tending the vines right through to selling the wine in the majority of cases. This protected title is a quality reference for consumers.

BACKGROUND Since it was founded in 1945, this estate has always remained the property of the Brochard-Cahier family. Having studied viticulture and oenology, Christelle Cahier gradually took up the reins of the estate from 1991 together with her husband, who tends the vines while she is busy in the winery. Situated in the village of Blaignan, the estate has expanded to cover 16 hectares at present, divided into four large blocks.

AVERAGE AGE OF VINES 25 years
SURFACE 16 ha

ENCEPAGEMENT 50% Merlot Noir, 50% Cabernet Sauvignon

TERROIR Calcareous clay

WINEMAKING/MATURING Machine harvesting. Traditional winemaking methods, with a vatting time of 25-30 days. Aged for 12 months in French oak barrels.



Vintage 2005 :

TASTING NOTE Ruby red in hue with purple tints, exuding red fruit, spice and earthy aromas. The palate is supple on attack, then ample and velvety, underpinned by plump tannins. Great wine, the result of a legendary vintage.

AGEING Ready for drinking from 2013. Will be even more harmonious after two or three years' cellaring.

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BOTTLING Bottled by Château

ALCOHOL VOLUME : 13.5% vol

FINAL BLEND 50% Merlot Noir - 50% Cabernet Sauvignon

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