
CHATEAU LA DOMINIQUE



Vintage: 2011

Producer: Union De Producteurs de Saint Emilion

Country: France

Composition:

81% Merlot, 16% Cabernet Franc, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon

WINEMAKER NOTES:

In order to balance performance and environmental conservation, particular attention is given to the vineyard of La Dominique. Each plot is closely monitored, and its individual characteristics are taken into account for the vine works required throughout the seasons. For several years, the vineyard has been managed according to rules of sustainable agriculture.

TASTING NOTES:

With its deep and shiny colour, Château La Dominique brings together the generosity of a Saint Emilion and the typicity of a Pomerol.

The nose is intense, characterized by seducing aromas of ripe fruits and subtle spicy notes. In most vintages, you will find truffle and licorice notes, complemented by peppery and woody aromas. With a sharp attack, it is fleshy and round, with silky and precise tannins. The finish is long and full and leaves you with a pleasant feeling of bliss. Aimed to be aged in most vintages, but can also be appreciated during its early years.

VINEYARD:

Soil: 25% brown clayey soils, 75% ancient sands mixed with gravel on clay subsoils; Average vine age: 35 years old; Plantation density: 7,000 to 9,000 vines/ha; Pruning method: single and double Guyot

VINIFICATION:

Hand-picking in 35kg boxes, Storage in cold-room for 12 to 24 hours, temperature cooled to make the most of pre-fermentation maceration. Destemming with The Cube vertical vibration destemmer, for gentle treatment of the grapes. Automatic sorting process by blowing grain separator, then hand sorting on vibration table so that only the best grains are kept, Gently crushed grapes transferred to a moving basin lifted up onto the vat, gravity allows for an accurate preservation of matters and colors. Wine-making in insulated, double-skin, stainless steel vats with thermo-regulation, for a precise and top-quality treatment at all stages of the process .

VITICULTURE:

Traditional, natural grass cover every second row depending on vine vigour, works following sustainable agriculture principles



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