



PAUILLAC

Fleur de Pédesclaux, Pauillac, 2017

AOC Pauillac, Bordeaux, France

Blossoming as soon as it is opened. With its richer concentration in merlot, this wine offers a softer, lighter touch with a warm and silky texture. Its fruity aromas are intense, crisp and pleasing on the palate.



THE WINE

Owners: Family Lorenzetti

Managing Director: Emmanuel Cruse

Property Director: Vincent Bache-Gabrielsen

Head of culture: Cyril Petit

Cellar Master: Jérôme Juhé

Consulting oenologist: Eric Boissenot

Total area: 49 ha

Surface in production : 43,4 ha

Density of planting : 8500 to 10 000 feet / ha

Grape varieties: 48 % Merlot, 47 % Cabernet-Sauvignon, 3 % Petit Verdot, 2 % Cabernet franc

Harvests: 18th to 19th of September.

THE VINTAGE

The benefits of the Gironde estuary

The exceptional terroir of Château Pédesclaux has always benefited from its proximity to the river, which promotes good air flow that dries up the soil and reduces risks of diseases. The river regulates the temperatures and moderates climatic excesses. 2017 is marked, in Bordeaux, by two strong episodes of late frost on the 21-22 and 27-28 of April. But the Château Pédesclaux vineyard was not affected by these harsh temperatures.

2017, a very early vintage

The cold and dry winter allowed for a good vegetative rest of the vine. Starting in the Spring, everything sped up. The warm temperatures caused an early budding, then a fast and homogeneous blooming, 10 days before usual. That fast pace kept going during the summer: it was dry and cloudy with cool nights, which protected the fruits and acidity of our grapes.

Early harvest from the 18th to the 29th September

The 12 days harvest went smoothly and ended on the 29th of September

Once the fermentation process was complete, our first impression was very promising. Our 4 grape varieties showed very different expressions, with a lot of personality.

The Cabernets-Sauvignons are incredibly refined.

The Merlots are very tense, with a very strong expression of fresh fruit.

The Cabernets Francs are the best that were ever harvested on the property. Moist, dense and airy, they have all the qualities to make a delightful wine.

The Petit Verdot turn up with their characterized spicy expression.

TERROIR

Garonne gravel on limestone bedrock.

IN THE VINEYARD

All work favorizing a good distribution and aeration of the grapes (disbudding, clipping, thinning out of leaves). Hand-picked sorting harvest according to the terroir, the vigorous ^{1/2}



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zones and separation between stocks from the heart and the borders of our plots. Harvest in crates, followed by a manual sorting on clusters and then on berries.

VINIFICATION

Gravitary vatting without pressing
Prefermentary cold maceration
Long vatting period
Gravitary vinification without pump

AGEING

12 months.
30% of new barrels.

VARIETALS

Merlot 75%, Cabernet sauvignon 20%, Petit verdot 5%

TASTING NOTES

Fleur de Pédesclaux 2017, a delectable treat.

The nose opens on bakery notes of almonds and orange peels, followed on the palate by delectable aromas of freshly picked red fruits, extending in a delightful finish on round and velvety tannins.

SPECIFICATIONS

Alcohol content: 13.3 % vol.

TECHNICAL DATA

Residual Sugar (g/l): < 2 g/l
Acidity (g/l): Acidité totale 3,4 g/l
pH: 3.69
Age of vines: 35 ans
Yield: 47hL/ha hL/ha



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