



# THE DOMAINE

#### Classified Growth of Graves in red and white

Pessac-Léognan Appellation (A.O.C.)

**Owner** Bonnie Family

Total area (A.O.C.) 73 hectares (180 acres)

Total area in red 66 hectares (163 acres)

**Geology** Quartenary Günzian well-drained gravels and clay gravels on shelly limestone and clay subsoil

**Grape varieties** 55% Merlot - 42% Cabernet-Sauvignon – 2% Petit-Verdot - 1% Cabernet-Franc

Density of plantation 10 000 plants / ha

Average age of the vineyard 28 years old

**Vineyard Management** Agroecology, plant cover, eco-pasture, minimal ploughing, with horses.

Pruning method Late pruning, in double Guyot

Certifications Sustainable farming, High

## TECHNICAL

Environmental Value certification 3 Opt A, ISO 14001 (EMS)

Harvest Manual harvest by intra-plot passes, double sorting tables, optical sorting (X-tri)

Vinification Double cap, thermoregulated stainless steel and oak vats

Vat period 3 weeks

Yields 38.95 hl/ha

**Ageing** Early blending, traditional on fine lees in French oak barrels, 60% new oak

Ageing period In process

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### THE VINTAGE

#### The 2023 vintage at Malartic. Generous and elegant: the return of a great Bordeaux classic

The 2023 vintage was generous, with excellent quality for both the white and red wines. A great success for the estate, even if it required a great deal of attention and precision in the vineyard. The threat of disease over the summer was high but successfully managed.

A mild, rainy winter gave way to an almost tropical spring. Showing a good cluster formation, flowering homogenous at the end of May. The vines are in good shape, regulated by an precise canopy management in terms of both the leaves and the bunches. The threat of disease was significant from May to end of July, due to the high humidity, but the Malartic vines remained healthy, with our teams monitoring them closely on a daily basis.Ultimately, it was the return of real oceanic weather, with alternating heat and rain, which led to a very complete growth cycle with uniform, fully ripened grapes.

Mild temperatures until the third week of August were ideal for the white grapes. Harvested between 28 August and 8 September, they produced fabulously precise, fresh, well-structured wines.

The Merlot, harvested from 12 September, revealed real substance and freshness. The Indian summer that began at the end of September, with warm daytime temperatures but cool nights, provided ideal conditions for optimal ripeness of our Cabernets, which we finished harvesting on 6 October.

The Malartic 2023 wines are already proving to be splendid, with plenty of substance, freshness and elegance. They offer remarkable balance, with tannic finesse and velvety mouthfeel, which should make this vintage another great classic.



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