# SARGET GRUAUD LAROSE



Saint-Julien

# **2023** Vintage EN PRIMEUR





# The Wine of Kings and the King of Wines

Grape varieties: 52% Cabernet Sauvignon - 40.5% Merlot 4% Cabernet Franc - 3.5% Petit Verdot Harvest dates: 11 September to 3 October 2023 Alcohol by volume: 12.5 %

### Life at the heart of our daily work

Organically certified since August 2022

#### The estate

- . Jean Merlaut has run this family-owned estate since 1997. The 82-hectare vineyard planted in a single block is identical to that of the 1855 classification
- . The terroir is a plateau of which 80% is Günz gravel from the Quaternary Period, deposited more than 600,000 years ago
- . The vineyard has been undergoing restructuring from more than 15 years to better match grape varieties and terroir
- . A wine tourism centre with view over the vineyard and the Gironde estuary

#### Promoting a sustainable ecosystem among the vines

- . Agroecology with planting of hedges and micro forests using the Miyawaki method
- . Ecograzing with 300 ewes reared on the estate
- . Biodynamic practices
- . 4 beehives to boost animal and plant biodiversity

#### Precise methods and a quest for excellence in the cellar

- . Plot-by-plot and intra-plot selection
- . Handpicking with 4 sorting levels (including 1 by optical sorting)
- . Fermentation 50% in oak vats and 50% in cement vats
- . Aged 12 months, 15% in new barrels, 100% French oak

## Sarget de Gruaud Larose, exuberant fruit

- . Lively and brilliant ruby-red colour.
- . The nose displays red fruit notes, underpinned by hints of fresh pepper.
- . A delicious and powerful wine with velvety tannins on the finish.

Bottle sealed with wax since the 2021 vintage

