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CHATEAU des LAURETS

2006 CHATEAU DES LAURETS



THE STORY

The vineyard of Château des Laurets is spread over 90 hectares on two famous neighbouring wine Appellations: Montagne Saint-Emilion and Puisseguin Saint-Emilion. Within this area, the 40 hectares located on Puisseguin are dedicated to the production of "Château des Laurets". Entering the estate on the north side, opposite the garden, offers a beautiful view of the castle built around 1860, whose architectural feature is the existence of a central octagonal tower overlooking the rear.

Baron Benjamin de Rothschild acquired this superb property in 2003, aiming at developing the Estate's great potential. A large renovation of the cellar was undertaken in spring 2004 to offer modern and efficient facilities.

THE VINEYARD

The vineyards of Chateau des Laurets are planted on south facing slopes with big rocks of limestone. This excellent clay and limestone soil gives the Saint-Emilion Merlot its distinctive taste. Particular attention is given to vineyard management in order to achieve low yields and quality grapes at optimum ripeness.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 80% Merlot; 20% Cabernet Franc

APPELLATION: Puisseguin Saint-Émilion

AREA: 36 ha

SOILS: Limestone and clay

VINE DENSITY: 5,500 vines/ha

VINE AGE: 25 years

VINEYARD MANAGEMENT: Natural grass cover, double Guyot

HARVEST DATES: From September 26th

VINIFICATION

FERMENTATION: Cold maceration, winemaking in wooden vats and stainless steel tanks. Automatic temperature control system. Micro oxygenation in tank. Malolactic fermentation in new French oak barrels.

AGEING: 14 months, 30% in new barrels, 30% in second fill barrels and 40% in vats.

ALCOHOL: 14.0 %

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