

DOMAINE LES CARMELS – LES CAPRICES

APPELLATION : Cadillac-Côtes de Bordeaux

SURFACE OF THE VINEYARD : 5,01 hectares

GLOBAL GRAPE VARIETIES : 85 % Merlot, 10 % Cabernet Franc & 5% Cabernet Sauvignon

DENSITY OF PLANTATION :

- 0.66 ha planted with 35 years old vines at 3300 vines/ ha
- 4,35 ha with 18 year old vines at 5500 vines / ha

SOIL : A view which illustrates the soil of the area and its character was expressed by local people who said “your earth is in love Sophie”. To fully understand this expression one only has to walk around (particularly in damp conditions) to find it clings to you like a lover, literally on your boots! Indeed, the ground is dominant with **white, green, red or brown clay elements**. But as is usual in this sector, the soil is extremely varied with **limestone zones** and other **rocky sectors**. At any rate, the suitability of the ground to the production of vines was demonstrated as remarkable when, excavating to a depth of 8 metres prior to construction of the wine storehouse, the exposed clay at that depth was observed to be full of roots.

CULTURE : The Domaine is committed in organic approach (8th year) certified by Agrocet. We dedicate lots of our energy in the work of the ground and control a qualitative grassing which, coupled with clays, takes care to regulate the shoot of the vine. We lead the vineyard in « Bordelaise pruning » and make all the operations in green necessary to obtain high quality grapes.

LES CAPRICES 2017

BLENDING : 100 % Merlot

PRODUCTION : 8000 bottles

WINE MAKING : the date of grape harvest is defined according to the tasting of berries: September 12^h 2017. The work in the cellar is modulated according to the quality of the grapes harvested, and piloted from day to day depending on the tasting. It consists all in all in the crushing, in pumping-over, and a special attention throughout the whole process. For this cuvee, we decided to have a short vatting, no oaks in order to highlight finesse & freshness of our terroir.

THE CAPRICES TASTING PROFIL : Flowerish nose - Little stones fruits - Soft Spices - a fruity & smooth wine - To keep between 3 to 5 years
« A good wine, without complex, with volume » according to some professional



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