



# CHATEAU BROWN

# RED

#### SURFACE AREA OF RED VINES:

26 hectares (estate total: 31ha)

#### PLANTED RED GRAPE VARIETIES:

55% Cabernet-Sauvignon 40% Merlot 5% Petit Verdot

#### HARVESTING:

- 100% manual in small boxes, with bunch selection on the vine
- Double sorting in the winery (bunches and grapes), using vibrating sorting tables

#### **VINIFICATION:**

- 100-hectolitre thermo-regulated stainless steel vats
- No grapes treading
- Cold maceration (8°C) for 3-5 days before fermentation
- Alcoholic fermentation at 25°C, then 28°C to finish
- Small volumes pumped over three times daily
- Warm maceration after fermentation (30°C), until ready for transfer to the barrels
- The contents of each vat are transferred to barrels after tasting. Pressing using a JLB vertical press.
- Malolactic fermentation: in stainless steel vats

#### **MATURING:**

100% in French oak barrels: 40% new. Matured for 12 - 15 months

#### SOIL:

- Gravelly and clay-limestone soil
- Plot-by-plot management with integrated drainage system

#### AVERAGE AGE OF THE VINES:

22 years

#### **AVERAGE YIELD FOR RED WINE:**

(ten-year average) 42 hectolitres/hectare

#### **SECOND WINES:**

- La Pommeraie de Brown
- Le Colombier de Brown

#### **PROPRIETORS:** Families Mau et Dirkzwager

#### MANAGER: Jean-Christophe Mau

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**Blend:** 

55% Cabernet Sauvignon 43% Merlot 2% Petit Verdot

Alcohol Degree: 14%

**Yield:** 45 hl/ha

#### Harvest dates:

Merlot: from 21<sup>st</sup> of September to 8<sup>th</sup> of October 2015 Cabernet Sauvignon: from 4<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> of October 2015 Petit Verdot: on 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2015

# Bottling date at the property:

9<sup>th</sup> of May 2017

## TASTING COMMENTS:

"This 2015 Chateau Brown wine has a bright ruby lustre. With aromas of ripe fruits such as dark cherry, prune this wine exhibits hints of blackcurrant that conjure up the hot dry summers in Pessac before the rains in late July. On the palate, this wine shows up both hot and sweet spices, including white peppercorn and, at the same time, a hint of cinnamon in the backbone. This is a dry and full-bodied style Pessac red with very structured tannins, woody notes. This is a hearty, generous wine which has great potential for ageing up to 20 years." Kay Man, head sommelier.

## AWARDS:

James Suckling: 93/100 • Wine Spectator: 91/100 • IWC 2018: 91 points, Silver Medal Guide Hachette des vins 2019: "Coup de Coeur" 2 stars Decanter DWWA 2018: Silver Medal • IWSC 2018: Silver Medal

### **EN PRIMEUR TASTING SCORES:**

James Suckling: 92-93 • Decanter: 92 • Wine Enthusiast: 90-92 Neal Martin: 90-92 • Wine Spectator: 88-91 • Jancis Robinson: 17 • RVF: 16-17

