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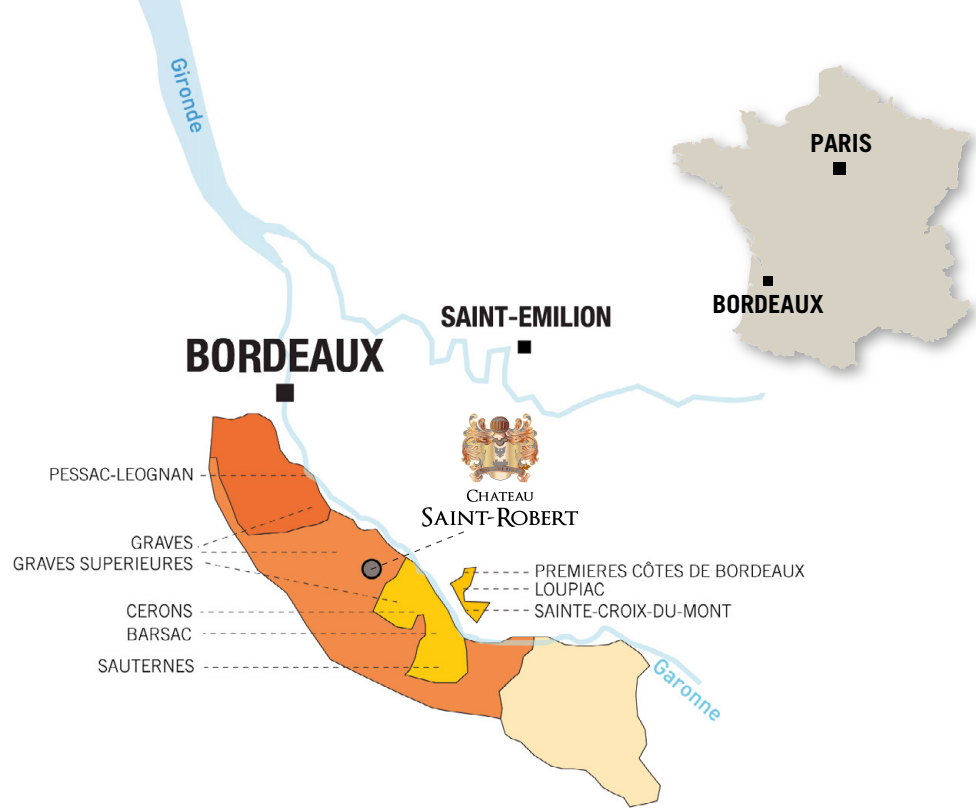
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A perfect geographical location

Chateau Saint-Robert is located at Pujols-sur-Ciron, 45km from the city of Bordeaux.

The Ciron River, which flows just a few kilometres from the property, helps to form the morning mist in autumn.

The domain is situated near the prestigious Classified Growths of Barsac and not far from the Pessac-Leognan Grands Crus.





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*ORIGINALLY, IT WAS
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The history of Chateau Saint-Robert is very old, just like the history of the Graves region which is a historical Bordeaux vineyard.

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1686

In 1686, Jean Duroy, Counsel to the King in the court of the Guyenne parliament, acquired the domain from his mother, Dame Anne Robert known as 'Dame de Saint Robert'. The name of the domain is said to have been named after her.

1751

In 1751 Chateau Saint-Robert was sold to Pierre Joseph de Pascal who was the first president of the Cour des Aides de Guyenne. He made an alliance with the de Preissac family. Henri de Preissac, who was Marquis de Cadillac and Knight of the Royal Order of Saint Louis, inherited the property. The property contained "two presses and a crusher, four different sized vats, fittings and other small wine containers".

1788

Henri de Preissac was in financial difficulty and put Saint-Robert under a 7 year tenant farmer agreement with Bernard Avril. Neglected by its owners the domain became a national asset under the French Revolution.

1868

Charles Cocks, in his work of reference, 'Bordeaux and its Wines', wrote about the domain: ***"the best wine in the commune is the Clos Saint-Robert, which is a long way ahead of the others"***. The domain produced both red and white wines. The wine had a great reputation even as far as the dinner tables in Russia and northern Europe.

1879

In 1879 the domain was purchased by the Credit Foncier de France (which today is a subsidiary of the BPCE group).

2013

After more than a century of careful management Chateau Saint-Robert became a domain of reference in the appellation. It became a founding member of the Cercle Rive Gauche (57 domains which share the same quality requirements) which then united with the Cercle Rive Droite (138 members) in the association 'Le Grand Cercle des Vins de Bordeaux'.

It was during the 19th century that the domain Saint-Robert became a known and respected winemaking Chateau, under the auspices of its new owner, Mr Poncet Deville when younger, who contributed greatly to the vineyard's improvement.



2014

In July 2014 the BPCE group sold the domain (at the same time as Bastor-Lamontagne and the two properties from the Pole Rive Droite) to Motier Domaines SAS (the Moulin family in association with the Cathiard family).

2018

The **Helfrich family** became the owners of this domain as well as that of Chateau Bastor-Lamontagne.

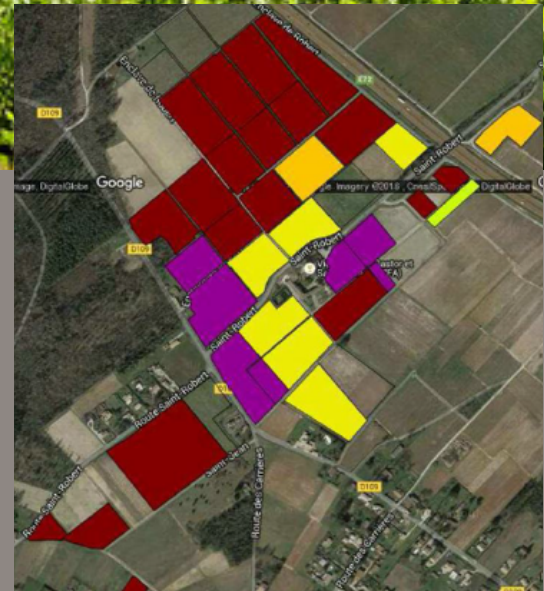


The vineyard

Chateau Saint-Robert has a vineyard of about 33 hectares planted for the most part in the Graves AOC.

The vineyard is composed of about thirty plots, mainly grouped around the wine cellars, at the location known as “l'Enclos de Robert”, a former walled enclosure.

The vineyard lies on a plateau, which is mainly sandy-clay over limestone and benefits from good exposure.



Merlot

Sémillon

Cabernet-Sauvignon

Sauvignon blanc

PLAN 2016

Muscadelle





Grape Varieties planted

The vineyard at Chateau Saint-Robert is mainly planted with red grape varieties. It is quite characteristic of the Graves AOC region with **18.9 hectares of Merlot and 5 hectares of Cabernet Sauvignon.**

There are also 9.4 hectares which are dedicated to white wines and composed of **Sauvignon Blanc (6 hectares), Semillon (3.1 hectares) and Muscadelle (0.3 hectares).**

Vineyard Age

About 18 years.

Density of Plantation

The average vine density is **6700 vines per hectare.** The majority of the vines are planted with a 1m space between each vine and 1.40 m space between each row. Low planting, on a **north-south axis or east-west axis, trellised in rows of wires held between stakes made of acacia.**

The renovation program

These last few years a program to improve the vineyard has been started:

- renewal of the vineyard by grubbing-up vines and replanting
- interplanting





Vineyard Management

The vines are principally pruned to the Guyot Simple method; the trellising is composed of two fixed wires and two wires which are raised.

The white wines from Chateau Saint-Robert have been certified Organic by Ecocert since 2014.

Conventional viticulture and integrated viticulture and used for the red wines



Harvesting

Harvesting is done by hand and using small baskets to avoid oxidation and crushing the berries.



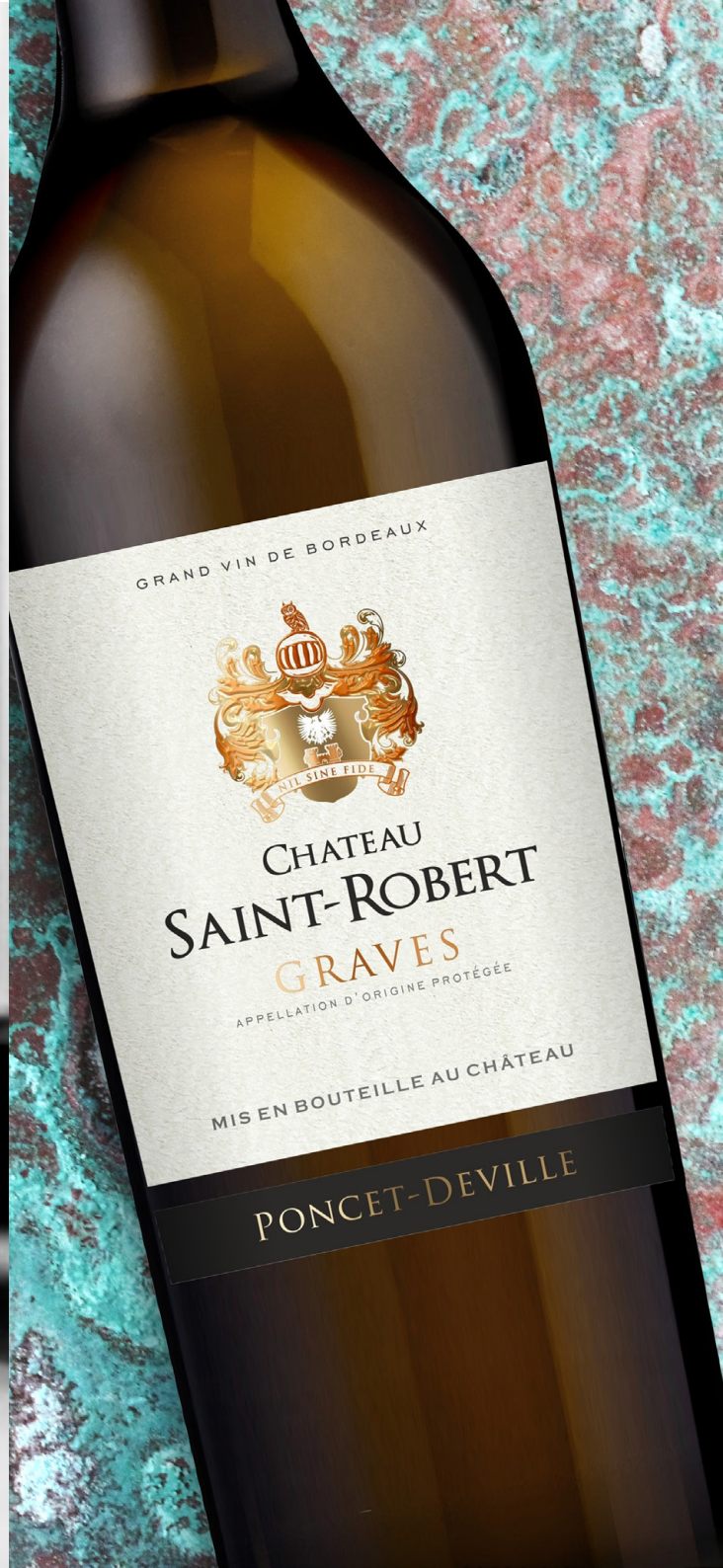
Vinification and Ageing of the red wines

When the grapes arrive at the wine cellar they go on a sorting table where a rigorous selection takes place. This means that the berries which are least ripe as well as any other vegetal matter can be eliminated. The bunches are then completely destemmed. The bunches are then completely destemmed. Alcoholic fermentation takes place in stainless steel thermo-regulated vats (26 to 28°C) for about 3 weeks. The malolactic fermentation and ageing of Chateau Saint-Robert takes place in barrels and in vats for 12 to 13 months.



The malolactic fermentation and ageing of the *Cuvée Poncet-Deville* takes place in new oak barrels for a slightly longer period depending on the vintage.





Vinification and ageing of the white wines

In order to keep the grapes from becoming damaged, small baskets are used for harvesting. The grapes are then moved by gravity into the press. A delicate and progressive extraction of the must is carried out by the pneumatic press followed by a very gentle settling.

Chateau Saint-Robert is vinified in stainless steel thermo-regulated vats (between 18°C and 20°C) and aged for 6 months before being bottled.

The *Cuvée Poncet-Deville* is vinified in oak barrels and aged on the lees for 9 to 10 months before being bottled. During ageing the wine is regularly stirred, so that the lees are maintained in suspension which gives the wine body and length on the palate.





GRAVES / Dry white

Beautiful clear pale yellow robe with green highlights which presents delicate aromas of white fruit (pear, nectarine, white peach, and quince) and acacia flowers. The attack is very round, well balanced, lively and fresh on the palate with citrus notes (orange peel, lime) and white fruit. This wine has good length with a hint of bitterness on the finish.



GRAVES / Red

A beautiful brilliant deep colour with ruby coloured highlights which reveals an expressive yet delicate nose of bourbon vanilla with notes of dark fruit (blackcurrant, blackberry, blueberry) and crushed strawberries. On the palate the wine is very silky smooth and intense with notes of red fruit on delicately roasted aromas. All wrapped up in fine, silky tannins. This wine is well balanced, and shows great promise with a long finish.

This is a Bordeaux white for Burgundy-lovers with nevertheless all the minerality of Sauvignon and the power of Semillon to make it an authentic Graves wine, true to its terroir.



All the elegance and finesse of Graves wines which are the origin of the history and the reputation of Bordeaux wines. A delicate wine with smoky notes, it can match a wide diversity of gastronomic delights thanks to its balance and delicate tannins.



GRAVES / Dry white

This wine reveals a nose which is particularly expressive of grapefruit, peach and passion fruit. The attack is lively and fresh leading to an ample body and an aromatic explosion on the palate (citrus, passion fruit, and pineapple). An elegant, fresh finish.

GRAVES / Rouge

A beautiful deep garnet colour. Intense nose of dark fruit (black cherry..) with notes of mocha. Nice fresh attack, firm over a background of fruit. The tannins still need to be tamed but the softness of the fruit is accompanied by a beautiful spicy finish. There is good structure to this very promising wine.





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