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CHATEAU LA BRANDE CASTILLON COTES DE BORDEAUX

New traditions should feel a lot like old traditions - hence, tradition.



WINEMAKER Jean Philippe Fort

REGION Bordeaux

GRAPE VARIETY Merlot,
Cabernet Franc,
Cabernet Sauvignon

SOIL Clay & Limestone

AGE OF VINES Originally
planted in 1956, with
periodic re-planting

PRODUCTION 60,000 bottles



CONCEPTUAL DOPPELGÄNGER

The beauty of dissent, for most French people, is simply more time not working. If the Germans have a work ethic, the French have an ethic that relates to how things are done, not how fast things are done, or how efficiently things are done. That's a great thing for us - we get to enjoy all things French

as they've existed for hundreds of years. The act of striking is as French as the stench in the Métro in July at 5pm. When farmers and other tradespeople object to the intrusion on their way of doing things, they get super French and shut down Paris. Time to open a bottle of Bordeaux and have some paté. Thanks for keeping it real, French people.

VITI/VINI

16 hectares and 10 blocks, south facing hillsides, organically farmed following the Cousinié Method. No synthetic insecticides, herbicides or fungicides. They alternate grass cover and tillage between rows and help the vine develop natural defenses by applying herbal preparations. 5000-5000 vines per hectare. Hand harvest at optimum maturity. Plot by plot vinification. De-stemmed and crushed. The only intervention consists of extractions undertaken delicately to respect the fruit. No additives and minimal sulphur. Aged 10-12 months in used French oak barrels of 225 and 400L.

PRODUCER

Since 1556, the Mangot vineyard has been listed as a renowned wine-growing estate. For the Todeschini family, now on its third generation, the most important factor continues to be the health of the soil and vines. The family aims to produce wines that express their own identity. Though the style remains loyal to the typicity of this traditional area, the wines display their own unique character, which is derived from the distinctiveness of their site. Totally organic in their philosophy and approach, all efforts are carried out with maximum respect for the environment. This practice in the vineyard allows for minimal intervention in the cellar. Karl and Yann, the youngest generation, are bringing a new energy to the estate, constantly searching and challenging the boundaries to produce the most expressive wines possible.

