

La BABBLER

Château Lauduc



Illustration: Anton Peitersen

VINTAGE	2018
REGION	Bordeaux
APPELLATION	Bordeaux Supérieur
VARIETAL	65% Merlot 30% Cabernet Sauvignon 5% Cabernet Franc
ALCOHOL	14.10 %
TERROIR	Limestone-clay, gravels
INFO	115 Ha (277.15 Acres) total vineyard & 10 Ha (24.71 Acres) 35 year old vines devoted to Bx. Superieur & Le Babbler! Merlot harvested Sept. 26th , Cabernet Franc Oct. 2nd, & Cab. Sauvignon Oct. 14th Aging in concrete tanks & part of the oldest vines Merlot & Cabernet Sauvignon for 12 months in 1 to 3 year old 400 L. French oak barrels
	Sustainable Agriculture Practices - HVE 3 , farm certified having high environmental value

About the Estate:

Family estate for 4 generations now run by Régis & Hervé GRANDEAU, the 115 Hectares (277.15 acres) vineyard of Château LAUDUC is located on the highest hillsides of the commune of Tresses, only 10km away from downtown Bordeaux. Enjoying various exposures and soils (limestone-clay, siliceous, gravels) which are particularly well adapted to vine growing and allowing grapes to achieve perfect ripeness. Once harvested at their best maturity, the grapes' vinification is handled in a modern cellar with thermo-regulated stainless steel tanks used to extract soft tannins and deep color, respecting the fruits' true expression.

For the Bordeaux Supérieur, a 3 to 4 days pre-cold maceration process is done to gently extract color and taste from the skin, before the traditional vinification process. The alcoholic fermentation is maintained between 26 to 29 degrees C. max, depending on the vintage. The wine is then pumped over the marc with aeration twice a day and fermented 15 to 21 days. A natural and slow refining process is used under cold temperatures during the winter. 12 months aging in equal mix of stainless steel and 400 Liters French oak barrels (foudres) for the oldest Merlot & Cabernet Sauvignon vines. Finned with eggs' white.

From the brilliant 2018 Vintage in the Bordelais - harvesting at the best possible maturity - Le Babbler is generously delivering a boldly and fruity wine.

Le Babbler?...

"Fun and Fancy free - Le Babbler is meant to inspire one to babble on and on about anything that brings joy." Bowler Wine

"It's all pleasantries, deadlines and expectations until that bear stares you down in the forest, remember to stand tall, wave your hands and sing" Ben Molinari

Inspiring & joyful wine, name, label... and *"In the bottle, you'll find poetry, art and inspired conversation"*. A little Bordeaux "revolution" & value we are so honored to have sourced for Bowler Wine, National US import & distribution.

Tasting Notes:

"Juicy blackberry and plum notes with lush, supple tannins. A classic Bordeaux for discerning babblers!" Bowler Wine

"Soft, round and fruity... plum, cherry, herb and licorice filled, well-priced charmer is ready to go" Jeff Leve.

Press Review:

Soon to come.