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## Les Promesses

# de Rocher Corbin



VINTAGE	2016
REGION	Bordeaux
APPELLATION	Montagne Saint-Emilion
VARIETAL	100% Merlot
ALCOHOL	14%
TERROIR	Clay and limestone
INFO	10.5 Ha (25.94 Acres) total vineyard. 45 year old vines on average.
	"Les Promesses" is produced from the younger Merlot vines of the estate
	Hand harvesting (with 3 sortings) Vinification in thermo controlled tanks, with <b>no sulfer added</b> .
	Partly aged in French oak barrels
	Unfined / Filtered
	Organic Conversion from 2018

#### About the Estate:

Château ROCHER CORBIN single estate vineyard, consists of 10.5 hectares (25.95 acres) in one block, perfectly situated on the western slope of the Calon mount, at the highest point in the area. This vineyard site provides maximum exposure to the sun and perfect natural irrigation.

The wine comes from vines that average 45 years old, 15% of the vineyard has vines more than 80 years old and includes a unique 150-year-old Merlot parcel!

Philippe DURAND was among the very 1st one to apply green covering, de-budding, short pruning and removing leaves. The grapes are hand harvested in 10-kilo baskets to avoid damage, manually selected and sorted before de-stemming to eliminate any small withered berries, and finally, an additional manual sorting of each berry is done after de-stemming to eliminate any possibly remaining stems! A touch of pre-cold maceration, micro aeration, part of the malo-lactic fermentation in new oak barrels, 12 to 14 months aging in French oak barrels.

Château ROCHER CORBIN... our « signature » since 1992 Vintage. Constantly deep garnet in color. Complex nose on superbly ripe red & black fruits and soft oaky notes, all in perfect harmony. Ample and unctuous palate with so silky tannins.

From 2015, Phlippe Durand started to produce "Les PROMESSES de Rocher Corbin". Elaborated on purpose from the youngest Merlot vines, with the same hand harvesting and sortings as for Chateau Rocher Corbin, vinification with no sulfer added and just a little touch of oak ageing. The idea (and pleasure) for Philippe Durand is to deliver a charming wine with exquisite fruitiness and freshness. Full of Promises, with a very nice label and drawing created by his daughter.

### **Tasting Notes:**

Charming, delicious and inviting nose on blackberries, cherries, wild strawberries and soft touches of spices, licorice and torrefaction, all with an exquisite freshness. Tasty, smooth, harmonious, sappy and very gourmet. A great *Promesse* to share!

#### Food Pairing:

"The wine of the friends. The one you drink between two burst of laughter, on a barbecue and cheese platter" Phlippe Durand.

Press Review: Soon to come