

Château Pasquet



VINTAGE	2020
REGION	Bordeaux
APPELLATION	Bordeaux
VARIETAL	90% Merlot 10% Cabernet Sauvignon
ALCOHOL	14 %
TERROIR	Clayey soil, limestone clayey subsoil
INFO	69 Ha (170.50 Acres) total vineyard - 10 Ha (24.10 Acres) devoted to red grapes. 2020 Vint. : Merlot from 2 plots on South & South-East high plateaux, planted in 1965 - Cabernet Sauvignon from North-East plot, all in Escoussans. Micro-oxygenation - Aged in thermo- regulated tanks Fined / Filtered - 430 Cs Sustainable Agriculture Practices

About the Estate:

A family estate established in 1964 by George PERNETTE, Château PASQUET is very seriously run by the two sons, Michel & Jean-Francois and soon followed by Michel's daughter Lauren. Elaborated with the utmost care in an up-to-date cellar mixing thermo-regulated stainless tanks for vinification process and concrete ones for aging, together with French oak barrels for a proportion of the wine, All vines are planted on superb gravelly/limestone-clayey slopes located in Escoussans, 35kms (56 miles) Southeast of Bordeaux, at a 100-meters altitude.

Château PASQUET is what we could call our "secret gem." Despite the fact that it has belonged to our selection since 1992, we only started to suggest it for Export from 2009 Vintage, since most of our allocation was distributed by the Société des Bains de Mers (Groupe Alain DUCASSE) in Monaco. Then - after a long time and constant relationship - we are now fully involved in bulk selection then blending, together with Michel PERNETTE. Within few years only, such a real expressive, deep and distinctive Red Bordeaux, belongs to our reputed & exciting Franck's Signature wines.

As usual and since years, Franck does spend time in December with Michel Pernette to taste each tank of the 6 varietals, to select the ones to consider and age separately. 2020 Vintage 2nd tasting and final blend done at the estate June 30th. From; plot # 20 of Merlot plateau right in front of the estate, a touch of Merlot from tank & plot 2i, being on South-East exposure (both planted in 1965), and a "hint" of Cabernet-Sauvignon from "Les Tuileries" plot, North-East exposure, adding even more structure, length and body to the generous and dense Merlot. Brilliant expression of the great 2020 Vintage for Bordeaux! 430 Cs Total production.

Tasting Notes:

Just a total charmer brought into the US by Franck Agostini, the 2020 Chateau Pasquet shows how good the vintage was for Bordeaux. Revealing a deeper ruby hue as well as great aromatics of ripe black cherries, leafy herbs, & chocolate, it hits the palate with medium-bodied richness, a supple, layered mouthfeel, ripe tannins & a great finish. Readers looking for an up-front, classic, undeniably delicious Bordeaux will love this." *Jeb Dunnuck 90 Pts*, Feb. 2023

Press Review:

"This wine shows structure, with a firm grasp of tannins & balanced black-currant fruits. The wine, with a vanilla underlay, needs time." *Roger Voss - Wine Enthusiast*.