

## Château SAINT-ESTEPHE



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| <b>VINTAGE</b>     | <b>2019</b>   |
| <b>REGION</b>      | <b>Bordeaux</b>   |
| <b>APPELLATION</b> | <b>Saint-Estèphe</b>  |
| <b>VARIETAL</b>    | 50% Cabernet-Sauvignon<br>50% Merlot  |
| <b>ALCOHOL</b>     | 13.50%  |
| <b>TERROIR</b>     | Gravelly, limestone-clayey and sandy  |
| <b>INFO</b>        | 8 Ha (19.28 Acres) vineyard in Saint-Estèphe, within 7 plots.<br><br>25 years old vine in average. 7400 Vines plants / Hect. density<br><br>Hand harvested, 2 sorting tables - Vinification in concrete tanks with pre-cold maceration, then 12 months ageing in French oak barrels (renewed by 1/3) from Allary, Vinea & Mercier.<br>Unfined / Filtered - <b>NEW LABEL</b> |

**Sustainable Agriculture Practices - HEV 3 farm certified having High Environmental Value**

### About the Estate:

Created by one of the ARNAUD family's ancestors, this domain originates from 1870. Its' a small family property which has been developed for several generations by the Arnaud Family. Chateau Saint-Estèphe belongs to the 1st estates classified Cru Bourgeois in 1932.

The vineyard is composed of 8 hectares and with 7 plots, gathered around the following villages: Leyssac, Marbuzet & Blanquet, on a mostly gravelly and clay soil, and also fine gravelly, sandy and limestone-clayey soils. A great diversity and complement to express Saint-Estèphe. Hand harvesting in small baskets, following by two hand sorting. 7 to 11 degrees C pre-cold maceration then an alcoholic fermentation never exceeding 25 degrees C to avoid getting too tight & austere tannins,

Saint-Estèphe is a famous left bank northernmost Medoc Appellation, known - as perfectly describe Jeff Leve "The Wine Cellar Insider" - to have "powerful, rich, full bodied, tannic, structured Bordeaux wines meant to age". They are, but we also wish to have some delivering roundness and opulence, an harmonious terroir and aging potential expression. Since 2017, young Oenologist Cyril, is involved at Chateau Saint-Estèphe, and I felt it right away with my 1st tasting of the 2018 & 2019; harmonious silky, fruity and sappy texture!

### Tasting Notes:

"A total charmer, offers a ruby/plum color as well as spicy, complex notes of red and black fruits, cedar pencil, dried herbs, & a hint of flowers. Medium-bodied on the palate, it's balanced, has a present yet ripe, supple tannins, and a great finish. It's certainly **a delicious Saint-Estèphe.**" *Jeb Dunnuck* April 2022

**Food Pairing:** Gourmet meals, beef, Pauillac lamb, truffles' sauces & cheese.

### Press Review:

"...medium-bodied wine with black currant fruits & touches of licorice. The wine's acidity propels it forward to be ready to drink from 2025." *Roger Voss* **91 Pts** Wine Enthusiast

"Red with currant & berry character, medium body and juicy, fruity finish. Shows hints of walnuts and chocolate to the fruit." *James Suckling* **90/91 Pts**

"Fresh, chewy, cocoa covered, red currant oriented wine..." *Jeff Leve* - The Wine Cellar Insider.