

Château Haut-La Péreyre

Cuvée Meste-Jean



VINTAGE	2022
REGION	Bordeaux
APPELLATION	Cadillac Cotes de Bordeaux
VARIETAL	65% Merot 25% Cabernet Sauvignon 10% Petit Verdot
ALCOHOL	14%
TERROIR	Gravelly-clay slopes & sandy-clay plateaux
INFO	50 Ha (120.5 Acres) total vineyard & 5 Ha (12.35 Acres) devoted to Meste-Jean Cadillac Cotes de Bordeaux Partly hand harvested - 18 months aging in stainless steel tanks & 500 L French oak barrels. Unfined / Light filtration

Sustainable Agriculture Practices - HEV 3 - Farm certified having High Environmental Value

About the Estate:

Château HAUT-LA-PÉREYRE - family estate for 6 generations now run by the young son, Olivier CAILLEUX - is located in Escoussans within the Entre-deux-Mers area but more precisely, in the heart of the small, distinctive and expressive Haut-Benauges appellation. Known to produce excellent dry white wines, this unique niche terroir also produces rare-to-find and remarkable red wines when the vines are planted on the best exposed and higher slopes, reaching here more than 100 meters, with a non-obscured view over the other side of the Garonne River, where lies the appellation of Graves.

We discovered and started to promote Château HAUT-LA-PÉREYRE in 1992, dealing first with the father until the young son Olivier fully took over the culture and vinification of the estate, 20 years ago. Olivier CAILLEUX developed the full expression of his terroir with new plantations to better adapt the grapes to his soil and exposure, introducing Sustainable Agriculture practices (certified HVE 3 from 2018 Vint.), green covering, new pruning methods, pre-cold maceration, thermo regulation and bottling without filtration.

Olivier bought the very 1st barrels and started to make Cuvée Meste-Jean with the vintage 1989. A bit more that 12 acres on gravelly-clay slopes and sandy-clay plateau devoted to it, from 3 grapes located each on specific plots and fitting exposure: South for the Petit Verdot, North for the Merlot and South-West for the Cabernet Sauvignon. Low yields, no fining and just enough oak ageing proportion.

Recent ratings fully reveal the talent and philosophy of Olivier Cailleux, not making over extracted, over powerful wines, but rather just what it needs to be: pure, rich and harmonious.

Tasting Notes:

A selection of the finest sites, this has a classic Bordeaux profile, with rich blackberry fruit backed by a savory edge. Lovely tannic structure from the Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot. It's focused and balanced with great purity.

Press Review:

The 2022 Meste-Jean is outstanding stuff & well worth seeking out, as well as good value. Based on 65% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Franc, and the rest Petit Verdot, it has juicy darker cherry & berry fruit, some leafy herb nuances, medium body, and just a charming, forward, delicious style perfect for drinking through 2032. » *Jeb Dunnuck* **91 Pts**