



DOMAINES ROLLAN DE BY

J. Guyon

Château Tour Seran 2010

Cru Bourgeois - AOC Médoc

Château Tour Seran is a 15-ha single plot vineyard whose origin can be traced back to the 17th century. The estate used to belong to the Marquis of Ségur also known as "Prince of Vines", a Bordeaux winemaker with flair who also owned some of the most famous Bordeaux chateaux including Château Lafite, Château Latour, Château Mouton, Château Calon-Ségur. The particularity of Château Tour Seran is its extraordinary location. Situated on the edge of the Garonne river on the top of a hill, it is surrounded by marsh land. This exceptional "terroir" is mainly composed of rolled stones and the exposition of this parcel allows the making of a "grand vin", well-structured and full of red fruits aromas. A natural eco-system plays a key role in the vineyard ; making us dream with its multi-colored butterflies and white spots lady-birds.

Vintage 2010

2010 was a relatively dry and cool year. Wines are full of ripe blackcurrant and black cherry, with racy tannins, balance and a great acidity means the wines will keep well. Structure-driven with a great definition of fruit are the main characters of the big vintage.

Vineyards

A 15 ha (37 acres) vineyard located on a clay-gravel hilltop terroir. The vines are on average 40 years old, the density is 7 000 plants per hectare. Double Guyot pruning. Sustainable farming with well looked after soil and enherbed rows.

Blend

65% Merlot - 15% Cabernet Sauvignon - 10% Cabernet Franc - 10% Petit Verdot

Harvest Information

Mostly hand-picked, the grapes are sorted twice on arrival at the winery : first on vibrating sorting tables and manually.

Winemaking

Stainless steel tanks larger than higher (3.50m large, 1.50m high) created by Jean Guyon in order to have more juice in contact with the grape marc. Truncated thermo-regulated vats are used for the cold pre-fermentation maceration. Vatting lasts 4 to 6 weeks following alcoholic fermentation. A malolactic fermentation takes then place in new oak barrels for 2/3 of the wine.

Barrel ageing

Lees stirring for 3 months, aged for 12 months in French Oak barrels.

Wine Advocate	89/100	Weinwisser - René Gabriel	18/20
Wine Spectator - James Molesworth	89/100	Falstaff Magazin	93-100/100
Wine Enthusiast - Roger Voss	92/100	100% Blind - Andreas Larsson	90/100
"Ripe plum, dark coffee and spice flavors join the firm tannins in this intense wine. It has a strong structure that needs to soften to allow the juicy black-currant flavor to surface."			
Jancis Robinson	15.50/20		
James Suckling	90/100		
Stephen Tanzer	89/100		

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