

# Château Tour Seran 2016

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 use 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 Séran 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 2016

An exceptionally dry summer with cool nights eventually, thanks to mid-September rain, resulted in small, thick-skinned, ripe grapes, and the wines are marked by high tannin and acidity. Aromatic wines.

#### 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.

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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	89-91/100
Jancis Robinson	16/20
Decanter	90/100
"This is a rich, powerful Jean Guyon signature, with old school punch. it's an excellent wine, enjoyable, fleshy	and sexy. You can feel the high
amount of clay-based, powerful Merlot and the oak finessing."	
James Suckling	90-91/100



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