



Domaines Rollan de By



# Château Haut Condissas 2015

AOC Médoc

Situated in the heart of the plateau de By (North of the Mèdoc), Château Haut Condissas is like no other.

It all started with 3 ha of vines in 1995 to grow over the years to 15ha thanks to a meticulous selection of the best plots of the Domaines Rollan de By vineyards. Chosen for their exceptional characteristics and exposition; owner Jean Guyon takes pride in managing them with love, passion, precision and rigor. Some they it is a garden who produces wines of outstanding quality.

### Vintage 2015

Ideal weather conditions and a particularly healthy, uniform fruit at harvest describe this vintage. Wines are lush, fruity (prune and cherries) and complex thanks to just the right amount of oak. Fine and elegant wines.

#### Vineyards

The 15 ha (37 acres) vineyard is located on a clay-gravel hilltop terroir. The vines are on average 50 years old, the density is 10.000 plants per hectare. Double Guyot pruning. Sustainable farming with enherbed rows and highly looked after soil.

#### Blend

60 % Merlot - 10 % Cabernet Sauvignon - 10 % Cabernet Franc - 20 % Petit Verdot

#### Harvest Information

Grapes are hand-picked at an optimum maturity approaching shrivelling. Precise bunch sorting.

#### Winemaking

Cold pre-fermentation maceration. Each plot is individually vinified in barrels or in small truncated thermo-regulated vats. 3 to 4 week long vatting follows the alcoholic fermentation before a malolactic fermentation takes place in new oak barrel for 100% of the wine.

## Barrel ageing

Lees stirring for 3 months. Maturation for 18 months in new French oak barrels.

Vinous - Neal Martin 91/100 " The 2015 Haut-Condissas had been bottled a week before my visit. That said, there does not appear to be too much bottle shock, and there are lovely black cherry, cassis fruit tinged with incense and violets. The oak is neatly integrated here. The palate is medium-bodied with supple tannin, an attractive saline note that lends this 2015 sappiness and neatly counterbalances the concentration of the vintage. I appreciate the focus here and the nascent energy, a Haut-Condissas that should easily give 20+ years of pleasure. Tasted at the Haut-Condissas vertical at the property James Suckling 91-92/100 "Solid red with a core of ripe tannins and ripe fruit. Medium to full body. Chewy finish. A wine to polish and improve. Well done.

 Falstaff Magazin
 91-93/100

 Markus Del Monego
 90/100

 René Gabriel - Weinwisser
 17/20

 Andreas Larsson - Tasted 100% Blind
 94/100

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