



CHÂTEAU  
LES CARMES  
HAUT-BRION

*Vintage* 2023



**Blend :**  
50% Cabernet Franc  
30% Cabernet Sauvignon  
20% Merlot



**Colour :** Red  
**AOC :** Pessac-Léognan  
**Owner :** Pichet Family  
**Estate Manager :** Guillaume Pouthier  
**Consultants :** Derenoncourt Consultants

*Vineyard*

**Plantation density :** 10 000 vines / ha  
**Average age of the vines in 2023 :** 45 years-old  
**Soil types :** Mindel graves on clay and limestone  
**Harvesting :** 100% hand-picked  
**Harvest dates :** 11th - 25th September 2023

*Vinification techniques*

**Vats used :** Thermoregulated tanks :  
Tronconic stainless steel tanks (60 hL),  
Concrete tanks (50 hL),  
Wooden tanks (76 hL)  
**Duration :** 35 days  
**Barrel maturing :** 70% new oak barrels, 20% foudres of 18 hL,  
10% terracotta amphorae / standstone  
**Duration :** 24 months  
**Noteworthy features of the vinification and / or maturing process :**  
No crushing, 60% of whole bunches  
**Composition of the wine :** 13.5% / 3,62 pH

*Critic scores*

The Wine Advocate	Antonio Galloni	Neal Martin	Jeb Dunnuck	James Suckling	The Wine Independent	Weinwisser	Jacques Perrin
97 - 99	94 - 96	94 - 96	95 - 97	98 - 99	96 - 98	19.5+	98 - 100
Beckustator	The Wine Cellar Insider	The Drinks Business	Jean Marc Quarin	Le Figaro	Terres de Vins	RVF	Matthew Jukes
99 - 100	96 - 98	96 - 98	97	96 - 98	99 - 100	96 - 98	19+
Alexandre Ma	The Wine Doctor	Adrian Van Velsen	Jane Anson	RVI	Decanter	Markus del Monego	
98 - 100	95 - 97	98 - 100	96	100	97	97	

In these places, inherited by winegrowers of Les Carmes, there is clear evidence in the soil and subsoil for interpreting the history of the winegrowers who preceded them. And then there are other, less obvious, treasures. They may be seen after one, ten or maybe a hundred walks through the rows of vines: the atmosphere, the (micro)climate, the grape variety, the rootstock, the slope, the water, the companion plants, the fauna, the ancient trees, the woods, a life underground. And the weather - how it is and how it should be, is that not specific to each place?