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2012 CHATEAU DE SALES  
POMEROL

Château de Sales, built in the 17th century, is the largest estate in the Pomerol appellation and has been owned by the same family for more than 500 years. Located 35 km east of Bordeaux, the vineyard of Château de Sales is situated in the northwestern part of the Pomerol appellation.

## Winemaking

The vineyard of Château de Sales has a surface area of over 200 acres, with vines covering 117 acres. The vines are an average of more than 30 years old. The grape varieties planted here are typical of this appellation: 70% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Franc or Bouchet and 15% Cabernet Sauvignon. The soils of Château de Sales are comprised of fine gravel and sand, with clay in some areas and an omnipresence of iron oxide. After de-stemming and crushing, fermentation takes place in concrete tanks with a maturation period of 12 to 18 months. To preserve their qualities of freshness, fruitiness and terroir expression, the wines of Château de Sales are generally only given 6 months of maturation in barrels, of which a maximum of 5% are new.

## Tasting Notes

The wines possess the characteristics of their terroir: fruitiness, suppleness, roundness, fleshiness, and good structure on the palate.

## Technical Information

<b>Appellation:</b>	Pomerol
<b>Varietal(s):</b>	70% Merlot - 15% Cabernet Sauvignon 15% Cabernet Franc
<b>Aging:</b>	12-18 months in French oak barrels (1/3 new)