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OUR HISTORY

- **15th Century, founding of the estate**
 - *A great terroir revealed progressively over the years: first a hunting lodge, then a farm before being an exclusive viticulture property.*
 - *During the 18th century, it went from a bourgeois house to a « Château » thanks to the evolution of its architecture.*
- **1585 – 1789: The Pontac Family**
 - *One single family (founder of Château Haut-Brion) for 200 years.*
- **Sold as a « National Property » in 1789, the domain belonged to iconic families in Bordeaux:**
 - *Tarteiron, Balguerie, Lawton, Du Vivier, Bernard and Dousson.*



OUR HISTORY

1995

THE LOUIS ROEDERER FAMILY

- Frédéric Rouzaud, 7th Generation at the helm of the Champagne Louis Roederer House
- Another renowned family with great ambition and driven by the search of quality
- In 2003, Château de Pez is selected as part of the 9 « Cru Bourgeois Exceptionnels ».



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OUR VINEYARD



Appellation
Saint-Estèphe

Surface Area
48 hectares

Density of plantation
8000 vines per hectare

Average age of the vines
25 years

Vineyard Management
Sustainable viticulture
HVE Certification level 3



50%
Cabernet
Sauvignon



43%
Merlot



4%
Petit
Verdot



3%
Cabernet
Franc

Soil composition



→ Gravel

→ Clay & limestone

OUR TERROIR

- Around 70 plots surrounding the Château, close to the Gironde river
- Ideally located between the Gironde Estuary and the Atlantic Ocean, two components of our microclimate
 - *Favouring air movements*
 - *Restraining temperature excess*
 - *Creating the optimum ripening conditions*
- Heavy soil with gentle slopes made up of gravel on clay-limestone subsoil enabling:
 - *Regulation of rainwater, nutrients and humidity creating a better heat resistance*





OUR WINEMAKER

NICOLAS GLUMINEAU

General Manager & Winemaker since 2012

- His studies:
 - **Master of Genetics** applied to oenology with Professor Denis Dubourdieu at the Bordeaux oenology University
 - **Engineer diploma** of viticulture and winemaking at the Montpellier National Agronomic School
- His career:
 - 2005: Château Haut Brion, Winemaker Assistant
 - 2006: Château Margaux, Culture Chief Assistant
 - 2007 – 2011: Technical Director of Château Montrose

A NEW ERA

- Since 2005, an important restructuration of the vineyard:
 - *To favour a better match between grape varieties, rootstocks and soils*
 - *To increase the proportion of Cabernet Sauvignon.*
- Practices worthy of a « Grand Cru »:
 - *Traditional ploughing, new pruning method with respect sap flow.*
 - *Manual harvests.*
 - *Full maturity of the grape reached by improving the leaf surface.*
 - *Reduction of the inputs in the vineyard management.*



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2018 - 2020

Construction of a new vat room equipped with stainless steel vats, and new barrel cellars.

MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS TO COME FOR BETTER VINIFICATIONS

- A “Parcelle” approach
- Soft extraction with new conical stainless-steel vats
- Two new barrel cellars offering perfect ageing conditions.



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« *The Dark Horse of the Appellation* »
Neal Martin

- New label starting from 2017 vintage.
- Plots selection determined in January, during the blending session
- Aged in French oak barrels for 12 months with 35% of new oak.
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- *Rich, well-balanced, aromatic wine and distinguished by its delicate texture*

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