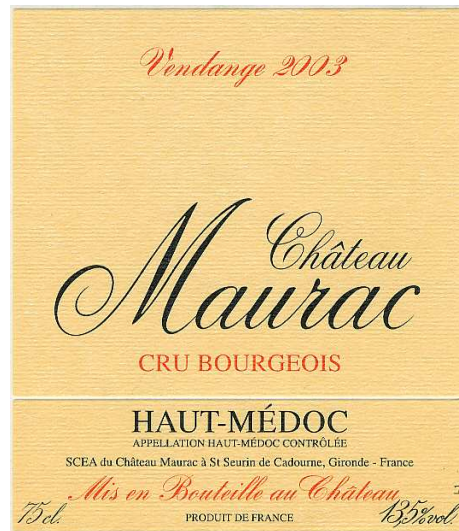


# HAUT-MÉDOC CHÂTEAU MAURAC



**CÉPAGE:**                   **55% Merlot**  
                                     **45% Cabernet Sauvignon**

The Haut-Médoc is the southern part of the Médoc, and is home to the many of Bordeaux's finest chateaux. The region contains the famous communes of Margaux, St. Julien, Pauillac and St. Estèphe, but the general appellation applies to the wines from outside the boundaries of these renowned villages.

Winemaker Claude Gaudin works with a number of petits châteaux in the region, and one of the best is Chateau Maurac. This beautiful estate is situated near such well-known neighbors as Chateau Sociando-Mallet and Chateau Charmail. The soil is gravel and limestone, and Merlot takes the lead in the property's planting. Gaudin's philosophy is simple: the wine is made in the vineyard. Dense plantation naturally reduces the yield per vine, resulting in a more concentrated wine. Traditional vinification and just the right touch of new oak give added structure and extra dimensions of flavor and complexity.

The resulting wine is lush with ripe black fruits and great concentration. Its jammy fruit flavors are complimented by notes of licorice and peppermint, and its velvety texture is supported by a fine tannic structure. It's the perfect accompaniment to grilled beef or lamb, as well as many robust cheeses.

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