

CHÂTEAU TOUR DE GILET

BORDEAUX SUPÉRIEUR



Château Tour de Gilet is in Ludon in the Haut Médoc, home to 5th Growth Ch. La Lagune. The current chateau was built on the foundations of the ancient Abbey de Gilet, which dates from the 12th Century. At that time the vineyard was already surrounded by “jalles” or small criss-crossing drainage canals to help produce wines of higher quality. Today, oenologist Claude Gaudin makes an extraordinary wine at this small property, using techniques such as dense planting in the vineyard and green harvesting to lower the yield, sorting at the harvest and very natural wine making for maximum expression of the fruit.

Region:	Bordeaux
Appellation:	Bordeaux Supérieur
Farming Practices:	Sustainable
Vineyard:	6 hectares
Soil:	Clay and gravel
Grape Varieties:	Mostly Merlot with Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Petit Verdot
Age of Vines:	30 yrs
Yield:	55 hl/ha
Avg Production:	4500 cases

Vinification and Élevage: Following harvest, the grapes go through an all natural yeast fermentation in stainless steel. Part of the cuvée is then racked in oak barrels and the rest remains in tank for aging, usually 16- 18 months.

Tasting Notes: Vibrant red fruit nose, well-structured with silky tannins, supple with a touch of Bordeaux grip in the finish; all together extremely pleasing wine, excellent value.

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