

CHÂTEAU PRIEURÉ-LES-TOURS

GRAVES ROUGE



The vineyards of Château Prieuré-Les-Tours surround the ruins of an 18th century monastery near the Garonne estuary. The 29-hectare estate is part of Les Domaines De La Mette, which owns several wine producing estates in the Graves and Bordeaux Superiuer appellations near the village of Portets. Located on a clay-limestone plateau with gravely soil, the vineyards benefit from a good flow of water being near the Garonne river. The terroir allows for the production of high quality wines that age well. A blend of 55% Merlot and 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, about half of the vines on the property are 20-years-old and the rest are 40-years or more. In 2022, it was awarded two prestigious distinctions: the Gold Medal at the Concours Mondial de Bruxelles and the Gold Medal at the Lyon International Competition.

Region:	Bordeaux
Appellation:	Graves
Owner:	Jean-Baptiste Solorzano
Established:	1991
Farming Practices:	Sustainable and certified HVE level 3
Soil:	Clay and limestone with gravel
Vineyard:	29 ha
Grape Varieties:	Merlot (55%) and Cabernet Sauvignon (45%)
Avg Age of Vines:	20-40 years
Yield/Hectare:	40 hl/ha
Avg Production:	200,000 bottles

Vinification and Élevage: After the grapes are harvested, they are manually sorted and de-stemmed before fermentation. Fermentation takes place in temperature controlled stainless-steel tanks by parcel and grape variety. The wine is then raked in French oak barrels for 6-12 months, very little new oak.

Tasting Notes: Brilliant red color. The nose is full with notes red and black fruits (black currant, plum and cherry) with subtle aromas of cedar and sandalwood. An elegant and fruit forward wine on the palate, the ripe tannins allow for several years of aging. Enjoy with game birds in sauces, red meats or richer seafood dishes.

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