

## La Mauvaise Réputation

Petit Verdot

Vin de France - 2022 - **RED**

### PRESENTATION

Petit Verdot is a typical grape variety from the Medoc region, used in the blend of most of the Grands Crus Classés.

Grown since the Middle-Age in this vineyard, Petit Verdot totally disappeared after the terrible Phylloxera crisis in the 19th century and was gradually reintroduced a few decades ago.

Very delicate to cultivate, this grape variety is still rarely planted. Indeed, it reaches its maturity very late (this is why it is named "Petit Verdot" : which means small grapes that stay green for a long time) and when the grapes are ripe they must be harvested immediately because the vine wood tends to rot quickly, which requires constant monitoring.

However, Petit Verdot offers many advantages, it gives to the wine complexity, a great tannic structure, an intense color and a good ageing potential, very appreciated to produce great wines.

As single-variety, this cuvée 100% Petit Verdot is surprisingly fresh, spicy and tasty with a strong personality.

### THE WINE

**VARIETALS:** Petit verdot 100%

**WINEMAKING / AGEING:** Thermovinification for a part (heating followed by liquid-phase fermentation). Traditionnal winemaking for the other part (solid-phase fermentation with regular pumping over and unballasting). Blending and ageing in thermo-regulated stainless-steel vats, to preserve the balance of the wine and the expression of the fruit.

### TASTING

The wine displays an intense red colour with deep reflections.

The nose reveals a charming bouquet of cherries, with a hint of pepper, liquorice and violet.

The palate is powerful and well-structured up to an aromatic finish, evolving to a pleasant freshness.

### SERVING / FOOD PAIRINGS

**SERVING:** 16°C

**FOOD PAIRINGS:** This 100% Petit Verdot will be the perfect to match with game, meat in sauce, braised meat or powerful cheese.

