

# **CELLARING & SERVICE**



14 - 17°C



3 to 8 years



1 hour

# **TASTING NOTES**



Ruby, dense and brilliant.



Fruity and intense, with very subtle wood supporting the fruit. Notes of crushed strawberries complete the bouquet.



Dense and rich with a persistent freshness. The tension on the palate provides excellent length.

# **FOOD & WINE PAIRINGS**

Homemade terrines, rack of lamb with thyme, duck with turnips, fine grilled beef, dishes in sauce or blueveined cheeses.

# TOUR PRIGNAC

# MÉDOC

2022

# THE ESTATE

- Château Tour Prignac, adorned with towers, joined the Castel family in 1973.
- It is the largest single vineyard in the Médoc, covering 144 hectares.
- Diversified poly-culture including cereals, hay, forest and more.
- Cool, most northerly terroir, with sandy soil on the plain and clay on the hillside.
- High planting density of 7,800 vines per hectare, well in excess of AOC standards (5,000).
- A biodiversity hotspot with 24% of agro-ecological infrastructure for 144 ha of vines.

#### VINEYARD MANAGEMENT

- Double Guyot pruning (2 canes and 2 spurs).
- Mechanised agriculture.
- Cover-cropping of alternate rows to control vine vigour.
- Cover-cropping of every row where vines were more vigorous.
- Mechanical leaf-thinning on both sides of the vines.
- · No green harvest.
- Machine harvests with on-board sorting

# **VINIFICATION**

- Traditional vinification in thermoregulated stainless steel vats.
- After the malolactic fermentations (which take place under very good conditions thanks to the thermoregulation equipment), aging in vats (2/3 of the volume with alternative woods and 1/3 of the volume without) for 8 months.

# **HARVEST DATES**

Merlot : from september 19th to 24th Cabernet-Sauvignon : from september

27th to october 6th

Petit Verdot : october on 3rd

# **BLEND**

Cabernet Sauvignon : 55 %

Merlot : 44 % Petit Verdot : 1 %

#### **TERROIRS**

Calcareous clay and fine gravel

# **TECHNICAL TEAM**







Léa Mazubert Technical Director

#### **ACCREDITATIONS**







# DISTINCTIONS (primeur)

92 pts – Jeff Leve 90-91 pts – James Suckling

# INTO THE VINEYARD





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