

L'ESPRIT DE CHEVALIER SECOND WINE OF DOMAINE DE CHEVALIER

LE DOMAINE DE CHEVALIER

The Domaine de Chevalier located in Léognan, the Capital town of the Graves, has a long history. It appears on the famous map of Pierre de Belleyme in 1783.

In 1983 the estate was purchased by the Bernard Family, N° 1 in France on the spirits market and a major negociant of premium Bordeaux wines.

It has been run ever since by Olivier Bernard who perpetuates that spirit of balance and the constant drive for perfection which have been the hallmark of this outstanding wine.

The red Domaine de Chevalier, the flagship of the Pessac-Léognan appellation belongs to the elite of the great classified growths of Bordeaux.

The white Domaine de Chevalier is recognized as one of the world's finest dry wines.

CURRENT SPECIFICATION SHEET OF THE DOMAINE

Appellation: Pessac-Léognan
Soil: gravel on clay-gravel subsoil
White wine 7 ha – great wine, 18 000 bottles
Red wine 60 ha – great wine, 100 000 bottles

WHITE

HARVEST: Hand-picked, in small crates.

Grapes are picked in 3 to 5 waves for optimum ripeness. Traditional cold settling in barrels.

VINIFICATION: Fermentation in barrels.

Aged in barrels for 18 months (one third new oak)

<u>Red</u>

HARVEST: Hand-picked, in small crates.

Grapes are carefully sorted in the vineyard as well as before and after destemming.

VINIFICATION: Four vat-rooms, (steel, stainless steel, concrete "tulip" and wooden vats.)

Aged in barrels fos 16 to 20 months. (one third new oak)

Second Wine: L'ESPRIT DE CHEVALIER,

Ageing:

ESPRIT DE CHEVALIER Blanc: 10 months in barrels ESPRIT DE CHEVALIER Rouge: 14 months in barrels







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WHITE 2018

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PESSAC-LEOGNAN APPELLATION

HARVEST (WHITE VINES):

From Sept. 5th to Sept. 14th

60% SAUVIGNON - 40 % SÉMILLON

BOTTLING: MAY 2019 (TECHNOLOGICAL CORK)
ALC: 13,5 % VOL.

Since 1986, the planting of young vines has meant that the DOMAINE DE CHEVALIER had to craft a second wine, in both white and red.

This blend of sauvignon and semillon is known as L'ESPRIT DE CHEVALIER.

L'ESPRIT... The Spirit is also a way of making a wine. The Bernard Family, by calling its second wine L'E-SPRIT DE CHEVALIER, wanted above all for it to carry the hallmark of Chevalier and to reflect the « Spirit » of the estate, combining powerfulness and complexity but also finesse and elegance in total respect of the *terroir*.

It is an appealing wine, ready to be appreciated earlier than the main wine (3 to 5 years old) .

TASTING

Intense, fine and fresh nose of blood peach, hawthorn and citrus fruit.. Dense and fleshy palate. Pulpy fruity. Flint-like minerality marked in the structure and linked to its acidity.

Mixing feeling of power and elegance.

Intense fruit and fresh. Balance. Great smoothness.



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