



CHÂTEAU

**ORMES DE PEZ**  
SAINT-ESTÈPHE



2022



## Château Ormes de Pez, a family history

Château Ormes de Pez belongs to the Médoc landscape since the 18th century. Located West of Saint-Estèphe and bordering the hamlet of Pez, the estate owes its name to a magnificent grove of elm trees, which no longer exists today. Château Ormes de Pez is the second property – after Château Lynch-Bages – acquired by the Cazes family in 1939.

The vineyard extends over two distinct terroirs: the Cabernets thrive on the gravelly parcels composed of quartz and rolled pebbles whereas Merlot is best-suited to the cooler, sandy-clay parcels.

With a distinctive harmonious spicy character, Château Ormes de Pez is true to its terroir. Wine lovers appreciate its opulence, elegance and well-rounded structure. Its powerful, rich and excellent tannic backbone allows graceful ageing.

## Château Ormes de Pez, in a nutshell...

Historic property of the Cazes family since 1939, the Château is also known for its B&B.

Located in the small hamlet of "Pez", the property owes its name to a beautiful grove of elm trees which was planted on the property in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

Over the past ten years, a major restructuring of the vineyard has been carried out by adapting each varietal to the nature of the soils and thus in order to reach optimal and regular ripeness on each parcel.



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## THE BRIGHT SIDE OF LIFE

In 2022, the vegetation benefited from exceptional climatic conditions. Once again, nature, and more particularly the vines, impressed us with their ability to draw on their most precious resources.

Just as summer was settling in, the commune of Saint-Estèphe was unfortunately struck by an episode of hail.

We paid close attention to our plots and we were vigilant during the sorting in the vineyard and at the harvest reception. The grapes were perfectly ripe, and despite limited yields this year, the quality of the grapes was very satisfying.

The berries were small and highly concentrated, showing great aromatic potential for our wines.

The 2022 vintage reveals the ideal balance between density and acidity. The tannins are smooth, and the wine offers expressive notes of red and black fruits, marked by a lot of freshness.

*"Château Ormes de Pez 2022 is an elegant wine offering rich dark fruit aromas, beautifully balanced and with well-rounded tannins and a lingering freshness."*

Nicolas Labenne, technical director, May 2023



**Appellation** Saint-Estèphe

**Surface** 40 hectares

**Terroir (soil)** Garonne gravel and sandy-clay

**Harvest** Hand-picked and sorted at the vineyard and table. 19-28 September

**Average yields (appellation)** 31 hL/ha

**Ageing** 16 months in French oak barrels (45% new oak)

**Blend** 39% Cabernet Sauvignon - 51% Merlot - 8% Cabernet franc - 2% Petit Verdot

**Analyses** Acidity: 3,4 g/L of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> - Alcohol: 14,3% vol. - pH: 3,88 - TPI: 84

## Château Ormes de Pez, the label's hidden secret revealed!

The design of the label has been inspired by the elm trees since the 2003 vintage.

The illustration not only pays tribute to the beautiful elm trees which no longer exist, but is a strong distinctive symbol of the estate. The label also has a hidden secret: six turtle doves lay peacefully on some of the tree branches... Will you be able to spot them?



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