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VINTAGE 2017



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# History

Built in 1111, the tower of Château La Tour Carnet still dominates this great and exceptional vineyard today.

Here the history of France is intertwined with that of the estate, which was to become the property of the Montaigne family, who gave France one of its most brilliant philosophers.

Situated on an admirable terroir that produces a great wine vintage after vintage, recognised for its elegance and its character, Château La Tour Carnet is undoubtedly part of the great history of the Classed Growths of the Haut-Médoc.

#### Some characteristics

- A Grand Cru Classé 1855
- A wine produced from a unique terroir
- One of Bordeaux's oldest wine properties built in 1120
- The former residence of an illustrious writer: Michel de Montaigne
- Cutting edge innovation in an ongoing quest for excellence
- An international Grand Cru Classé recognized for its exceptional quality and accessibility







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# The 2017 vintage

After a cold and dry January, the end of winter was milder and wetter. This mild weather continued through to spring, encouraging bud burst at the end of March. Early April was very mild and the vine grew quickly. Unfortunately, the frost of 27, 28 and 29 April destroyed a large part of the crop and slowed down growth in the unaffected plots. May and June were rather hot, allowing growth to resume, and flowering at the end of May took place quickly thanks to the dry and warm weather. The zig-zag pattern of temperature and rainfall in July and August prolonged véraison, which was spread out from 14 July to 8 August. Ripening proceeded slowly but surely until the end of September.

The Merlots were picked from 21 September to 5 October, and the Cabernets from 27 September to 5 October, under a grey but dry sky.

#### Blend

60% Merlot, 37% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Cabernet Franc.

## Tasting

Colour: Deep ruby.

Nose: Very intense and complex, dominated by fresh fruit.

Palate: Very balanced and supple attack, with full development of tannins but still very balanced. Long and very elegant finish.



# Tasting notes

# James Suckling 92-93/100

Very tight and polished with pretty density and tannins. Medium to full body, good length and excellent balance. Remake of 2014.







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Première vendange en 1409

Depuis son édification au XIIème siècle, Château La Tour Carnet se confond avec l'Histoire de France. Demeure de la famille Montaigne au XVIème siècle, son vin devient célèbre en 1855 lors de son entrée au classement des Grands Crus Classés. Les meilleures techniques sont utilisées pour exprimer toutes les qualités de son magnifique terroir viticole. Ce vin est aujourd'hui servi sur les plus grandes tables du monde.

Château La Tour Carnet has been the witness to the History of France since it was founded in the 12th century. The estate belonged to the Montaigne Familly in the 16th century, its wine becoming famous when it joined the 1855 Grands Crus classification. The best technics are used to express the great qualities of its magnificent vineyard. The wine is served today in the world's best restaurants.

Récolte 2017

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