



COS D'ESTOURNEL

2019

Bordeaux Appellation

Sauvignon Blanc 65%, Sémillon 35%

North of the Medoc, on the hill of Saint-Estèphe. At the bend of the road are the majestic pagodas of Cos d'Estournel. After the sheer delight, it seeks to penetrate the mystery carefully hidden behind the imposing Zanzibar Gate. The residence of the **Maharajah of Saint-Estèphe** does not fail to surprise. Here is a real palace, entirely dedicated to wine. This had been desired by **Louis-Gaspard d'Estournel**. Therefore when he inherited a few hectares of vineyards in 1791, he had never ceased to enlarge the estate and to provide it with the best techniques.

Convinced of having in his hands **an exceptional terroir**, this man of taste, adventurer, praised around the world, in India, in particular, from where he brought this penchant for the Orient and exoticism. **In the image of his wine, bewitching and elegant**, as well as **spicy and powerful**, he took the chance to be himself in a world so conventional, cultivating his differences and taking up his choices.

Property since 2000 of Michel Reybier, Cos d'Estournel pursues its destiny, between **audacity and humility**. Every decision is a risk-taken, in a visionary philosophy that its founder would not have disowned. Culture divided into plots pushed to its peak, demanding **innovation in the winery**, a taste for beauty and excellence in a world imbued with unobtrusive elegance, this is the legacy of Louis-Gaspard which its owner today extends. The unique style of Cos d'Estournel, born of a sublime terroir magnified with respect by the passion of men over the centuries, made from his discovery a true journey.

The Terroir of Cos d'Estournel Blanc

The Cos d'Estournel Blanc vineyard in the northern part of the Médoc, near the mouth of the Gironde Estuary, is in a **prime location**. A **cool microclimate** and **natural ventilation** due to the **nearby ocean** are conducive to making **wines of great aromatic precision**.

As part of an ongoing quest for excellence, a replanting and top grafting programme has been undertaken over the past several years. The soil is regularly ploughed and sustainable methods are used to grow top-quality grapes.

2019, Sublime

Perfectly adapted to the terroir in which they thrive, the vines of Cos d'Estournel Blanc were able to resist the year's extreme weather conditions in a most remarkable fashion, showing not a single sign of water stress, thanks to their roots, which continue to grow deeper from one year to the next. These conditions were particularly favorable to the estate's Sauvignon Blanc grapes, which reached an unprecedented level of **concentration and depth**. Likewise, our Sémillon grapes attained a higher level of expression and proved ideal to be used in greater proportions than usual in the final blend of Cos d'Estournel Blanc 2019.

Rich and complex, the 2019 vintage delivers aromas of jasmine and grapefruit that are a lovely counterpoint to its distinctive briny character. A finely structured, sophisticated wine, Cos d'Estournel Blanc 2019 has **exceptional cellaring potential**.



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