

LES CAILLOUX BORDEAUX

VINTAGE	2023
REGION	Bordeaux, France
GRAPES	70% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Malbec
TECHNICAL	Alc. 14.5%
UPC	3292146518236

BACKGROUND

Les Cailloux Bordeaux is a refined blend of Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec from clay & limestone vineyards interspersed with pockets of gravel & stones, lending to the name: Les Cailloux. This somewhat unique soil ties in favorable aspects of the Right Bank (gravel) with the dominant subsoil of the Left Bank (clay/limestone) thus elevating the varietal components.

WINEMAKING

Traditional vinification, resin tanks with horizontal pressing. During alcoholic fermentation temperatures is as usual between 27° and 31°, with pumping over twice a day for color extraction. The wine was aged for 6 months in oak prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTE

Vivid and fresh, very expressive and delicate nose with elegant notes of an array of red and black fruits. A smoothly textured palate offers intense notes of blackcurrant with vanilla in the background. Complex and balanced.

ABOUT LES CAILLOUX

Wines named in honor of the egg-shaped stones, the "cailloux" (pebbles) which are present in many top Bordeaux vineyards. These were dragged to Bordeaux in great abundance by glaciers that have since retreated to the Pyrennes, the cailloux today are known to be a key to the greatness of the Bordeaux soil and its wines. Many, if not most, of Bordeaux's greatest chateaux are located above deep beds of cailloux. These stones favor a better drainage and force the vines deep into the soil to find their nutrients. Forced to search for resources, the plant will regulate fruit production resulting in berries with concentration of fruit and aromas; an essential requirement to produce refined and full bodied Bordeaux wines.

