

CHÂTEAU GRUAUD LAROSE

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855



SAINT-JULIEN

Owner: Jean Merlaut



Gruaud Larose is named after the two people who created the estate. In 1725, Abbot Gruaud, bought 50 hectares of land and planted vines there. His nephew, Chevalier de Larose, inherited the property in 1781 and the vineyard grew to 80 hectares under his ownership. Seeing that there were no heirs, Gruaud Larose was jointly purchased by two families at auction in 1812. However, their relations soured and the vineyard was divided into two parts in 1865. In 1934, the Cordier family reunited the estate.

It has belonged to the Merlaut family since 1997. They have introduced sustainable development and organic farming methods in the vineyard. The terroir consists of slopes of deep Garonne gravel from the Quaternary Period (about 700,000 years ago) where Cabernet Sauvignon is king – as befits a wine whose motto is “The King of Wines and the Wine of Kings”.

Château Gruaud Larose is one of the most historic estates in the Médoc. Its size has hardly changed through the centuries and today deserves its second growth status in the 1855 classification more than ever.

Area under vine	82 hectares
Production	157,880 bottles
Soil	Garonne gravel from the Mindel I and Mindel II glaciations of the Quaternary Period
Grape varieties	61% Cabernet Sauvignon, 29% Merlot, 7% Cabernet franc, 3% Petit Verdot
Barrel ageing	18 months - New barrels: 80%
Second wine	Sarget de Gruaud

Managing Director: Nicolas Sinoquet - Cellar Master: Philippe Carmagnac - Vineyard Manager: Patrick Frédéric

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