

CHÂTEAU DE CAMENSAC

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855



HAUT-MÉDOC

Owners: Jean Merlaut and Céline Villars-Foubet



Château de Camensac is located on the perimeter of the Médoc's great growths, bordering on the Saint-Julien appellation. The 75-hectare vineyard consists of Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot vines on slopes with deep gravel soil over a mix of clay and hardpan.

It is a very old estate that was cited on Belleyme's famous 18th century map. Camensac means "on the water's way", and comes from the words *camens*, which means "path" or "way" and *ac*, which means "water" in local dialect. In the 17th century, monks dug ditches along the bottom of the gravelly rises. These contributed to the quality of the terroir by draining off excess rainwater.

The Merlaut family acquired Camensac in time for the 2005 vintage. Céline Villars and Jean Merlaut are now in charge of the estate. The niece and uncle are also the respective owners of Chasse-Spleen and Gruaud-Larose. Éric Boissenot is the consulting oenologist. Cabernet Sauvignon now plays a greater role at Camensac. This variety is ideally suited to the deep gravel soil, producing wines with depth, fruit, elegance, and minerality. The old Merlot vines are totally complementary, yielding wines that add volume and body to the final blend.

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Area under vine	75 hectares
Production	250,000 bottles
Soil	Gravel, clay-sand-gravel and sand-gravel soil
Grape varieties	60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot
Barrel ageing	15-18 months - New barrels: 40%
Second wine	La Closerie de Camensac

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