

CHÂTEAU DE FRANCE



PESSAC-LÉOGNAN

Owner: the Thomassin family



The vineyard is located on the highest slope of the gravel terrace in Léognan, the tallest of four gravelly terraces deposited by the Garonne River when it overflowed its banks in centuries past. The sunny microclimate and the unusual soil account for Château de France's unique terroir.

Bernard Thomassin acquired the estate in 1971 and has made numerous investments ever since. The vineyard was entirely replanted and the vat room and cellars renovated. This was all done with one goal in mind: to make very great wine.

His son, Arnaud Thomassin, came to work at the estate in 1996 and now manages it in the same spirit as his father, Bernard.

Château de France is distributed in France and around the world. Its fine reputation is an acknowledgement of its quality as well as the major efforts undertaken by the Thomassin family for over forty years.

Both the *grand vin*, Château de France, and the second wine, Château Coquillas, are produced in red and white versions.

Area under vine	40 hectares
Production	Red wine: 60,000 bottles - White wine: 18,000 bottles
Soil	Deep gravel
Grape varieties	Red wine: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot - White wine: 80% Sauvignon, 20% Sémillon
Barrel ageing	Red wine: 12 months - New barrels: Red wine: 30%
Second wine	Château Coquillas

Chief Executive Officer: Bernard Thomassin - Managing Director: Arnaud Thomassin

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