# **CHÂTEAU** VIEUX CARDINAL LAFAURIE

LALANDE-DE-POMEROL - 2016

This Château is an invitation to travel through time. In the 12th century, the Knights of Saint John of Jerusalem established a hospice here to carefor crusaders and pilgrims. Cabernet Franc vines were planted on the estate to provide wine for mass. Time is still a willing accomplice today, allowing the wine to fully develop elegance and body.

# THE VINEYARD

LOCATION: NÉAC/LALANDE DE POMEROL.

TERROIRS: 15% OF CLAY, 30% OF SILT, 60% OF SAND AND GRAVELY SUB-SOIL WITH IRON-RICH CONCRETIONS.

SURFACE AREA: 6 HECTARES.

PLANTING DENSITY: 5000 TO 6000 VINE / HECTARE.

YIELD: 42,5 HECTOLITERS / HECTARE.

RAPE VARIETIES: MERLOT, CABERNET FRANC,

CABERNET SAUVIGNON.

Average age of the wine: 1 plot over 50 years old and two plots of fallow land to be planted in 2013.

THE VINE IS 30 YEARS OLD.

# THE WINE



#### **Blend**

65% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Franc, 10% de Cabernet Sauvignon

#### **Vinification**

Traditional vats stainless steel thermo regulated, with 2 to 3 weeks maceration.

#### **Ageing**

In French oakbarrels for 12 months (50% new barrels).

#### **Ageing potential**

Ready to drink now, this wine will reach its full potential around 2024/2026.

### **Tasting**

Remarkable 2016 vintage with a superb nose presenting roasted and chocolatey notes. Good depth supported by delicious tannins.

A great wine that expresses this terroir in an exceptional vintage.

## **Food pairing**

Enjoy with red and white meat, wildfowl and also with cheese.

## AWARDS

Gold, Concours de Bordeaux - Vins d'Aquitaine, 2018 Bronze, Challenge International du Vin - Blaye, 2018 Quoted in the Guide Hachette des vins, 2020



