



A combination of velvet and elegance!



VIGNOBLES DUBARD – CHATEAU LAULERIE



The Vignobles Dubard estate, founded in 1977 by two brothers and a sister, now brings together four dynamic family-owned wineries located on the right bank of the river Dordogne in the South West of France: Château Lauferie, Château Vieux Barrail, La Croix Romane and Château Nardou.

Château Lauferie’s vineyards stretch out on the right bank of the River Dordogne in the western part of the Bergerac wine appellation. This prized area, known as Montravel, is characterized by its calcareous-clayish hills, facing an ideal southerly direction. The vineyard is made up of 50% white grapes (Sauvignon and Semillon) and 50% red grapes (Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec).

Vineyard

Among the 46-ha red-variety vines, 30 to 50% are dedicated to the production of Château Lauferie Rosé. The youngest vines (5 to 15 years) are always selected for the Rosé. Trellised in Guyot cut canopy, the vines are closely planted (5,000 vines/ha). The respect of traditional rules to run the vineyard, and the use of natural fertilizer restrict yield to 60 hl/ha. The alternating grassy and ploughed rows lead to an ideal hydric balance. To obtain healthy grapes whilst preserving the environment, they have developed an extensive knowledge of vine parasites and the various sprays available. We used this knowledge in conjunction with a close-up observation of the vines, resulting in rational and environmentally-sensitive pest control. Certified *Haute Valeur Environnementale*.



Vinification

Greg Dubard, the proprietor of Chateau Lauferie, exemplifies this in his traditional and meticulous approach to grape growing and hands-off approach in the cellar. Matured for 8 months in terracotta amphoras, this unique Cabernet Franc entices with a surprising density and silkiness on the palate.



Haute Valeur Environnementale

The HVE certification certifies environmental excellence through the achievement of performance thresholds in four areas: in terms of biodiversity (including the presence of agro-ecological infrastructures on the farm such as hedges, grass strips, groves ...), phytosanitary strategy, fertilization management and irrigation.



CHÂTEAU LAULERIE JUSTE TERRE



SKU:	792742
Region:	Southwest
Classification:	AOC Bergerac
Vintage:	2018
Grapes:	100% Cabernet Franc
Vineyard:	Right bank of the River Dordogne
Soil Composition:	Clay-limestone soil
Vineyard Training:	Guyot
Density/Yield:	5000 vines/ha
Fermentation:	low temperatures (15 to 17°C)
Aging:	Aged in 500L Amphoras
Alcohol: Residual	14.00%
Sugar:	<0.2 g/l
pH:	3.92 g/l
TA:	2.87
Free SO ₂ :	13
Total SO ₂ :	63

Tasting Note

What a wine: deep dark purple colour, intense nose, with a rich complexity. Primary notes of dried berries, herbaceous and minerality, that opens up to reveal fennel, pencil shavings, dried blueberry, and violet notes. Rich and savory, with medium ripe tannins and a clean dry finish. Complex, with flavours of tomato, oregano, mineral and fennel, along with dark fruit. Develops real character as it opens, recommend decanting.

Pairing Suggestion

This rich complex Cabernet Franc is best with savoury dishes, grilled meats and rustic food. Enjoy with a winter feast of roast beef, mashed potatoes, and oven roasted root vegetables. Or with a summer barbecue of sirloin burgers with aged cheddar cheese and tomato confit. Best to 2030.

Sales Facts:

- Certified Haute Valeur Environmental, France's highest certification for clean farming
- The natural intense and deep tannins of Cabernet Franc are refined by a limited oxygen input due to the porosity of terra cotta Amphora. A combination of velvet and elegance!
- Château Laulerie's vineyards stretch out on the right bank of the River Dordogne in the western part of the Bergerac wine appellation, just east of Bordeaux. Great value wines coming from this family producer.