

CHATEAU LES CHARMES GODARD - WHITE

- GENERALITIES.

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History

The vineyard, which was bought by Nicolas Thienpont and his brothers in 1988, produces both red and white wines.

In the Charmes Godard white, it is both the predominance of Semillon and the winemaking techniques (barrel fermentation and lies contact) that give the wine its richness and unctuousness, as well as good supporting acidity. Its aromatic complexity is due to judicious blending with Muscadelle and Sauvignon Gris.

- VITICULTURE.

Appellation contrôlée: BORDEAUX COTES DE FRANCS

Area: 1,6 ha

Varieties planted:
70% Semillon
15% Muscadelle
15% Sauvignon Gris

Density: 5000 vines / ha

Soils: Clay-limestone on marl

Average age of vines: 40 years old

Vineyard management:

Traditional soil management: light ploughing and aeration of the soil with inter-row planting of cereals in the winter.

Numerous manual interventions: de-budding; leaf-thinning; green harvest

- **WINEMAKING AND AGING**

Production: 10,000 to 12,000 bottles approx.

Tanks: Vinification in barrel

Length of aging: 8 months

Barrels: 1/3 new, 1/3 1 yr old, 1/3 2yrs old

Other specifics:

Pre-fermentation maceration for 12 hrs (under CO₂).

Pressing under inert gas (CO₂).

Barrels filled by gravity.

Total aging on lees with lees stirring.