



PRESENTATION :

The Estate traces back its origins to 1719, but it's really in 1838 that Henry Delaroze, then mayor of Saint-Laurent, establishes a vineyard on one of the most ancient gravel beds of the Medoc. In 1884 Count Ernest de Lahens presides over the destiny of an Estate encompassing 300 hectares and oversees the construction of Château de Trintaudon and its tower; almost a lighthouse overlooking an ocean of vineyards. During its long history the Estate was acquired by a Spanish nobleman: Duc Del Infentado, subsequently by the Forner Family, then owner of Château Camensac and Marques de Caceres. In 1986, Allianz purchased the Estate, one of the largest of the Medoc by its surface area and total production; a well renowned property recognized the world over as a top quality Cru Bourgeois.

HARVEST START DATE : 4th october

VINEYARD :

- 165 hectares of vineyards.
- **Soil :** Fine gravels, sandy gravels and clayish limestone soil.
- **Planting density :** 6,600 vines per hectare.
- **Average age** of vines : 28 years old.

GRAPE VARIETALS:

- 47% Cabernet Sauvignon
- 47% Merlot
- 6% Petit Verdot

FINAL BLEND :

- 45% Cabernet Sauvignon
- 51% Merlot
- 4% Petit Verdot

VINIFICATION :

Classic three week initial fermentation.
Aged in oak barrels for 12 to 14 months.

TASTING NOTES :

Lovely intense ruby colour. The nose is still dominated by notes of torrefaction that give way nicely to fresh red fruit aromas after a few minutes in the glass. The palate is harmonious with a pleasant but not over-opulent roundness. The tannins are fine and well-integrated and there is a good long finish. This wine has retained its original freshness and is particularly elegant. Refined and subtle, it should start to open up before the end of 2016.

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