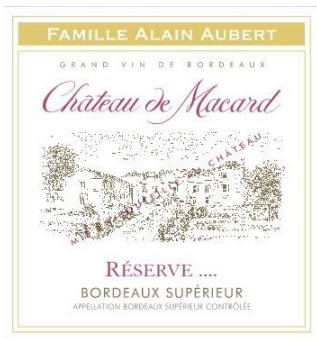


# CHÂTEAU DE MACARD « Réserve » 2016

## Bordeaux Supérieur

### Single Vineyard - GPS 44.822520, 0.103512



#### ORIGIN

Bordeaux, France

#### APPELLATION

Bordeaux Supérieur

#### VINEYARD

45 yrs. old vines on average,  
with the oldest cabernet franc  
vines over 100 yrs. old  
Limestone & clay soil  
Yield: 40 hL/ha

#### BLEND

60% Cabernet Franc  
30% Merlot  
10% Cabernet Sauvignon

#### FARMING

Traditional

#### WINEMAKING

4 – 5 days of Fermentation  
20 – 25 days of Maceration

#### AGING

+/- 18 months, 50% in  
Stainless steel tanks & 50% in  
oak

#### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

14% Alc. |

Château de Macard's 2016 "Réserve," begins with a nuanced nose full of inviting aromas of fresh dark fruits that pair perfectly with notes of burnt toast, tobacco and refreshing minerality. The palate experiences an elegant texture of velvety tannins and a gorgeous medium body that lingers in palate after sipped.

The 2016 growing season experienced a wet spring followed by a very dry and warm summer. The cool, sunny weather allowed for incredible ripeness of the grapes. 2016 is a year of purity, freshness as well as a classic style of Bordeaux.

On a rocky plateau overlooking the Dordogne River, just upstream from Saint-Émilion, in the village of Pessac-sur-Dordogne, a parcel of Cabernet Franc vines up to 100 years dig roots deep into the clay-limestone soils. The vines sit on the same south-facing clay and limestone slope as the greats of Saint-Émilion, a soil very suited to grape vines, with moderate water intake and mineral richness supplied by the limestone.

The Alain Aubert family come from the winemaking tradition of Bordeaux's Right Bank. For several decades now, Alain, his wife Bernadette, and their three daughters have fine-tuned and perfected their craft. To celebrate their achievements, their US importer and close friend, Serge Doré, collaborated to create this special and exclusive set of new labels and wines, all proudly bearing the "Famille Alain Aubert" banner across the top to honor the work of the family.

#### ACCOLADES

2016 International Wine Report: **92**

2016 Wine Enthusiast: **90**

*"Light tannins giving a tight structure to the red-berry flavors of this wine. It comes from a blend of 100-year-old Cabernet Franc vines with Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. The wine could age further and will be good from 2020." -W.E.*

