

ORIGIN Bordeaux, France

APPELLATION AOC Saint-Emilion Grand Cru

VINEYARD

40-45-year-old vines planted in 6.4 hectares of clay-limestone soils

BLEND

50% Merlot 25% Cabernet Franc 25% Cabernet Sauvignon

FARMING Sustainably farmed

WINEMAKING

Fermented entirely in stainless-steel tanks Maceration for oneweek

AGING

Aged for 18-months in French oak-barrels

CHÂTEAU LE LOUP SAINT-ÉMILION GRAND CRU

A luscious mouthfeel is an invitation from Merlot, and a healthy 25% Cabernet Franc builds up texture and brings age ability to this wine. These two grape varietals work a distinctive magic in Saint-Emilion, bearing wines with a soft approachability that develops to silky complexity with time. The soils of Saint-Emilion are truly unique, a blend of clay and limestone very favorable to these grape varieties. A fairly high 25% Cabernet Sauvignon keeps things a little different, as this grape is not as common on the Right Bank, giving the wine a boost in tannic structure and add layer of density and richness.

Chateau Le Loup is located at the northern edge of the Saint-Emilion appellation, east of the namesake town in the commune of Saint-Christophe des Bardes. Its name (Loup translates to wolf) comes from a lieu-dit (named vineyard) "Le Loup." Local legend has it that in medieval times a wolf roamed this northern sector.

ACCOLADES

2015 International Wine Report - 92 Points

