

CHÂTEAU HAUT GRAVET

St. Émilion Grand Cru « Grand Chemin » 2016
Single Vineyard – GPS 44.871118, -0.184493



ORIGIN

Bordeaux (Right Bank),
France

APPELLATION

AOC St. Emilion Grand Cru

SINGLE VINEYARD

Latitude: 44.871118
Longitude: - 0,184493
Altitude: 10,12 m
40 yr. old vines on average
5 acre parcel of vines in
ancient gravel and clay-
limestone soil in the 30 acres
that makes up the Chateau.

BLEND

70% Merlot, 20% Cabernet
Franc, 10% Cabernet
Sauvignon

FARMING

Plot Selection, buds removal,
green harvest, hand-picked

WINEMAKING

Cold Maceration
Malolactic Fermentation in
barrels (60-80% new).

AGING

Aged on lees for +/- 20
months

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

14% Alc. |

Château Haut Gravet's 2016 "Grand Chemin," begins with a wonderful nose full of dark cherries and currents, woven together with tobacco, spices, charcoal, and toast which all come together to form the inviting aromatics. This is medium-full bodied wine is beautifully structured with nicely polished tannins and a gorgeous texture. It possesses a ripe core that is laced with flavors of ripe dark berries, tobacco and a mineral character that persists through the long, elegant finish.

2016's Saint-Emilion season produced something for everyone. It began with tumultuous rains, rich clouds, and cooler temperatures. But with the beginning of June, it all changed. The warm sun banished the clouds and regulated the temperatures into true dream conditions. 2016's vintage is precise, structured, and pure. It is the quintessential definition of a classic Bordeaux.

Grand Chemin is a 5-acre parcel of ancient vines over 40 years old within the Haut-Gravet vineyard. It is ideally located at the foot of the Saint-Émilion hill on mainly ancient gravel clay-limestone soils which allows for mineral richness and deep rooting for a full expression of the terroir and a incredibly developed aromatic profile.

Château Haut Gravet is the jewel of the Aubert family vineyards. For over 20 years, Alain and his wife Bernadette have selected from among Haut Gravet's 30 acres the best vines and applied traditional methods, tried and true to the history of Grand Cru wine, along with more modern methods, resulting in a wine which has evolved with time and is always progressing.

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: **93**

2016 Wine Enthusiast: **92**

"This rich, structured wine, is dominated by Merlot, giving a smoky character along with generously ripe red-berry flavors. Wood aging adds spice to this dense, still young wine. Drink from 2022." –W.E.

