

Château Sirio



Specification Sheet

Château Sirio Graves Red 2019

2019 Vintage: In spite of some frost in late April/early May, the 2019 vintage suffered less from extreme climatic events than the two previous years. The summer was one of the hottest on record in the Bordelais, with some rainstorms in early August. The contrast between hot days and cool nights in August provided excellent ripening conditions for the grapes, and the result is a very fine vintage for the Château Sirio red.

Tasting: Garnet red with hints of purple. Nose of red and black berries. Juicy on the mouth, with flavours of plums, blackcurrant and cherry. Well-balanced tanins and a persistent, mineral finish.

Appellation: Graves

Soil: Gravel soil with pebbles and sand on the surface, calcareous subsoil

Grape varieties: 80% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon

Density of plantation: 6200 plants per hectare

Average age of the vine: 35 years

Pruning: Guyot Double

Vineyard management: A sustainable approach to winemaking. The soil is nourished with organic fertilisers and vegetal-based composts. Grassing on every second row. Training, disbudding and leaf plucking are meticulously performed by hand. No chemical weedkillers are used on the estate.

Harvest: mechanical picking

Vinification: fermentation in thermo-regulated steel vats

Ageing: 12 months in French oak barrels, 20% new, 40% 1 vintage, 40% 2 vintages.

Closure: DIAM technical cork closure

Alcohol content: 13°

Ageing potential: now or until 2030

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Critics:

Master of Wine, journalist and blogger Christy Canterbury:

90* / QPR (Good Quality/Price Ratio)

Château Sirio 2019 Graves Rouge 13%

“This is a highly enticing wine that is drinking very well already. Packed with flavor, it is aromas are classically Bordelais, starting with evergreen, damp forest floor and cigar wrapper. The concentrated fruit flavors taste of black plums and cassis with gentle red cherry nuances on the lightly smoky and deeply mineral finish. Juicy at the hearty core with bracing acidity and well-groomed, lightly clingy tannins, this pure and focused red has just a bit of everything right now as well as the gusto to mature nicely in the mid-term. This 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Sauvignon blend from vines averaging 30 years of age brilliantly over-delivers.”

Tasted in June 2021