

# Château Pessan

# GRAVES 2012

### <u>Terroir</u>

Soil: siliceous base, sand, clay and gravel

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Surface: 10 ha at Portets Grape Varieties: 65 % Merlot

35 % Cabernet Sauvignon

Average of the Vineyard: 15 years Density of Plants: 6600 vines/ha

Yield: 50 hl/ha

Production: 20 800 bottles

Alcohol: 14 %

#### Harvest

From 02 to 08 October.

Due to a rainy end of summer and autumn, 2012 was an untipycal and compleated yaer. The harvest required a precise vigilance and a full-time presence in the vineyard to avoid any error in the picking (heterogenous ripeness).



# Winemaking

Winemaking and ageing are done with classic methods. Each identified plot of terroir is vinified separatly to respect each identity.

Cold prefermentary macération. Then alcoholic fermentation in thermo-regulated tanks. Finaly, malolactic fermentation in french oak barrels.

#### Ageing

The wine is aged in french oak barrels (30% new), during 12 months.

Bottling at the Château in March/April.

Sales come one year after the bottling date.

#### **Dishes/Wines Harmony**

Perfect with cooked-in-sauce meat or grilled meat( pot au feu, beef stew) Hard cheese.

Chocolate cake, mocka cake.

#### Tasting Notes

Eve: deep crimson colour.

Nose: some liquorice and vanilla notes.

Mouth: powerful and fresh thanks to silky tannins.

A very long and generous finish.

## Rewards

Gold Medal at: Prix Plaisir Bettane et Desseauve 2015.

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