

M. de MALLE GRAVES 2013

<u>Terroir</u>

Soil : sandy with a gravelly-clay texture Surface : 3 ha at the East of Preignac Grape Varieties : 86 % Sauvignon 14 % Semillon Avearge of the Vineyard: 25 years Density of Plants : 6600 vines/ha Yield : 42 hl/ha Production : 7900 bottles Alcohol: 12,92 %

Harvest

From 17th to 20th September. Harvest Under cloudy weather. Same maturing for both grapes Sauvignon et Semillon. The vintage was not easy due to the weather : extremely rainy spring and early summer, then a dry and warm month of July followed by a

hot August with cool nights.



Winemaking

The grapes are brought to the cellars in small loads. An initial prefermentation cold macération precedes the very délicate pressing of the grapes. The addition of enzymes and the settling of the must are also done under strict cold temprature conditions.

The wine spends approximately 9 months on the fine lees.

Ageing

The maturing in stave-wood (split, not sawn) oak barrels lasts between 6 and 9 months. The wine is bottled in May/June and is then rested for few months.

Dishes/Wines Harmony

Fresh starters, salads. Seafood. Cooked or raw white fish. Cooked in sauce or grilled white meat. Fresh or dry goat's cheese.

Tasting Notes

Eye : golden colour with green reflects.

Nose : exotic fruits aromas, ehanced by soft spicy notes. White flower aromas with freshness. Mouth : supple and round. Intense finish.

Rewards

Bronze Medal : Prix plaisir Bettane et Desseauve 2015 Silver Medal : concours de Bordeaux vins d'Aquitaine 2015