CHÂTEAU DURFORT-VIVENS In few words...

A vineyard of 62ha located in **Margaux appellation**, in the villages of Margaux, Cantenac and Soussans.

For more than 20 years, the grapes of Château Durfort-Vivens were part of the blend of Château Margaux wines.

One of the favorite wines of the 3rd President of the USA, Thomas Jefferson, at the end of the 18th century.

Raised at the rank of **2nd Classified Growth in 1855** during the Universal Exhibition of Paris.

The property has been in **the Lurton family for two generations**. At 26 years old, Gonzague was the youngest owner-manager of a Grand Cru Classé of Médoc.

The wines are both certified organic and biodynamic since the vintage 2016.

The one and only growth of 1855 to have obtained both **organic** and biodynamic certification at the same time.

The largest amphorae cellar in the world.

The vintage 2018 was entirely made in amphora without any mechanical assistance.

The vineyard is managed according to **agroecological practices**. Small-scale plantation of vines without rootstock, to preserve diversity and adapt our vineyard to the climate change.

The wines have been tested « **0 residues** » each year since the 2014 vintage.



CHÂTEAU DURFORT-VIVENS

2021

"2021 WILL BE AN ARCHIPELAGO OF SINGULARITY, EACH VINEYARD WOULD HAVE HAD ITS OWN HISTORY. AT DURFORT-VIVENS, THE RESULT IS QUITE FASCINATING IN ITS BALANCE, HOW THE WINE WILL HOLD UP IN THE MOUTH AND ITS AROMATIC BRILLIANCE WITH NOTES THAT REMIND MORE THE SPRING FLORAL HINTS THAN THE ONES IN SUMMER. IN REFERENCE TO MY FATHER'S VINTAGES, THE STYLE OF THE WINE REMINDS ME OF THE 1986 BY ITS TANNIC STRUCTURE AND WITH A FANTASY WORTHY OF THE 1988. AFTER 30 VINTAGES, I AM STILL MOVED BY THE LAST VINTAGE AND EXCITED ABOUT THE NEXT ONE. WINE KEEPS THE PASSION ALIVE."

GONZAGUE LURTON - THE OWNER

"IF IT DOES NOT BELONG TO THE CATEGORY OF PREVIOUS WARM VINTAGES LIKE 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019 OR 2020. HOWEVER, IT DESERVES TO BE IN THE CELLAR OF EVERY GOOD CONNOISSEUR. IT IS INDEED A "WINEMAKER'S" VINTAGE THAT WILL HAVE PUT OUR NERVES TO THE TEST BUT MAKES US PROUD AND OPTIMISTIC BY ITS QUALITY. DESPITE THE EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS, THE AROMATIC PROFILE OF FRESH FRUITS WITH A MATURE, BALANCED AND STRUCTURED CHARACTER IS IN THE IMAGE OF THE GREAT WINES OF BORDEAUX OF THE PAST."

LÉOPOLD VALENTIN - TECHNICAL DIRECTOR







CHÂTEAU DURFORT-VIVENS 2021

THE VINEYARD

62 hectares of deep gravels with a matrix of sand and clay..

Located in Margaux, Cantenac and Soussans in Margaux appellation.

THE VINIFICATION

Plot and tailor-made vinification.

Alcoholic fermentation with natural yeats. Pumping over once per day for soft extraction.

21 days of alcoholic and malo-lactic fermentations.

No input during all the vinification process.



THE CULTURAL **PRACTICES**







No pesticide residues

THE BLEND

97% Cabernet Sauvignon

THE AGEING

18 months of ageing:

70% in new oak barrels 30% in amphorae TAVA

Merlot

THE TEAM

Owner: Gonzague LURTON Technical director: Léopold VALENTIN Œnologist consultant: Éric BOISSENOT

Tasting comments



