

Le Temple de Tourteyron



An History

The Domain Le Temple de Tourteyron is run by Jean-Pierre, Mélissa and Loïc, 3rd and 4th generations of the Bergey Family, which traces it's ancestry back to the Knights of the Order of the Temple.



Indeed, the Domaine's name, which can be found on wine bottles dating as early as 1900, comes from the members of the religious and military order known as l'Ordre des Templiers who greeted and aided pilgrims following the Way of St James.



The over part of the Domaine's name, « Tourteyron » stems from an old French dialect and means tourterelle or "turtledove". A few of these migrating birds (presently a protected species in the Médoc) used to find annual shelter on the family's land.



The Domaine's history continues to grow and evolve. Today, the vineyard is comprised of 80 hectares of land (grapevines, meadow and forested land) of which 24 hectares hold the AOC Médoc quality distinction. In addition, the land is also home to herd of Charolais cows.



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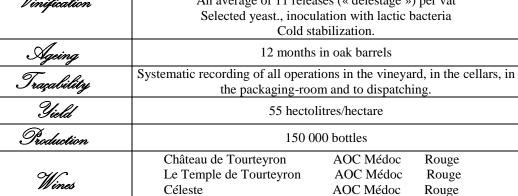
Area under vines	23 ha 73 a 99 ca
Grape varieties	Cabernet Sauvignon (50 %), Merlot (48 %), Petit Verdot (2 %)
Density of plantation	5500 vines/hectare (80 %) and 6500 vines/hectare (20 %)
Average age of the vines	15 years
Terroir	A deep gravel terroir with 6 hectares of clayey subsoil
Ecopping practices	« Medoc » pruning, grassing, thermic thining out the leaves, large area of foliage exposed to the light (0.8), improvement by bovine manure, reasoned protection of the vines.
Harvest	Mechanical harvesting, reasoning and logic of picking plot by plot with analysis and tasting, transfers by gravity, successive manual sorting of the grapes on tables (6 persons)
Cellar facilities	Temperature controlled, stainless steel vats
Vinification	An average of 41 vinification days, Préfermentation macération (an average of 14 days), An average of 11 releases (« délestage ») per vat













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