



Les 2019

Château Grand Village



September 2019: The courtyard at Grand Village



September 2019: Merlot vines at the parcel Rosiers, Grand Village

It was my remote ancestor, Jacques Verdery, who founded Château Grand Village in 1650. This vineyard is in fact the birthplace of our family of vigneron. The estate is situated in Mouillac, a part of the canton of Fronsac, and covers 50 hectares of land. This surface is divided between 20 hectares of vineyard positioned on the plateau and gentle slopes of Grand Village, and 30 hectares of woods and meadows.

Together with my wife Sylvie, we took charge of the vineyard of Grand Village in 1980. We still cherish sweet memories from that period like the 1982 vintage and most notably the grandiose 1990, a memorable testimony of the great potential that exist in our clay-limestone terroir at Grand Village.

For the last twenty years we have been writing a new chapter in the story of Grand Village. Our son Baptiste and his wife Julie joined us in the beginning of the new millennium, and together we embarked on a new adventure, taking a bold decision to work the vineyard and vinify the wines of Grand Village with the same approach and philosophy that we have at Lafleur.

Château Grand Village quickly became a singular wine, a down to earth Bordeaux crafted with the means and in the spirit of a *grand cru*.

Since then, considerable progress has been realized in both vineyard and cellar. Château Grand Village today is a complete and honest wine, without artifice.

Harmonious and with great balance, we can enjoy the wine in its youth. Yet, with a few years in bottle, we start appreciating more and more its refined and mineral tannic spine, that which makes the wine really the "Grand Village of Lafleur".

The new label of Grand Village was created to echo exactly that: the profound evolution of the wine to what it is today.

Château Grand Village 2019 :

19% Bouchet harvested on October 3rd and 4th

81% Merlot harvested September 23rd to 28th

Technical sheet :

Soil and sub-soil: 14 hectares of clay-limestone soil / Vineyard under sustainable viticulture / Manual harvest with double sorting at the vineyard and a third sorting in the cellar / Alcoholic fermentation in stainless steel and concrete tanks with soft maceration (15 to 25 days) and moderate tannin extraction / Blend varies with vintage: between 75% to 85% Merlot and 15% to 25% Bouchet / 12 months barrel aging (30% new oak, 40% one year old barrels, 30% two years old barrels) / Bottled the second April after harvest / *Grand Cru* type bottles, dark green color / Packaged in carton boxes

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