

CHATEAU LE REY

CASTILLON CÔTES DE BORDEAUX



The continuous property of 12 hectares is situated on a clay-limestone terroir on the right bank of the Dordogne. It occupies a privileged position on the plateau of Sainte-Colombe, little town East of Saint-Emilion, full of history with the remains of a Roman villa and its mosaics, as well as a classified Romanesque church from the 12th century.

This very ancient property belonged to the Roque family since the Louis XIII period, shared many times and always reconstituted. The last descendant of this family Philippe Le Roy coming from a long ancestry of winemakers and barrel carpenters will be the one that will pass on the baton.

Château Le Rey was bought by a trio of friends in 2016; Peter Kwok (Hong Kong, Château Tour Saint Christophe, Château Haut-Brisson, Château La Patache, Enclos Tourmaline), Philippe Lambrecht (owner of the great Belgian wine import company, Wijnhandel de Brabandere, and owner of Bodega Mas Alta in Priorat) and Jean-Christophe Meyrou (Bordeaux, Director of Vignobles K).

The average age of the vines is 30 years and the conduct of the vineyard follows the philosophy of our other properties in order to meet the environmental balance.

Today two cuvées are produced at Château Le Rey, **Les Argileuses** and **Les Rocheuses**.

These two wines do not represent as usual in Bordeaux first and second label, but are made like in Burgundy with a terroir philosophy. Les Argileuses are produced from a green and blue clay terroir and Les Rocheuses from 100% limestone terroir.

FACTS

SURFACE	12 hectares
GRAPE VARIETIES	80% Merlot - 20 % Cabernet Franc
SOILS	Clay-Limestone
VINIFICATION	Conical stainless steel tanks (small volume tanks in order to correspond best to parcel management)

LES ROCHEUSES

TERROIR	Limestone
PLOT	# 5 & 6
AGEING	20% new barrels - 40% 1-wine barrels 40% 2-wine barrels - during 12 months
PRODUCTION	13 000 bottles



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PRESSBOOK

JAMES SUCKLING - 93-94

«A very salty, stony character to the blue fruit in this wine. Sea salt and blue salt. Medium-to full-bodied, tight and compact. Racy, tight and formed. This has one-year-old barrels»

James Suckling June 2020

JEB DUNNUCK - 90-92

« I normally tend to prefer this cuvée over the Les Argileuses, and the 2019 Château Le Rey Les Rocheuses is no exception. It too is balanced and elegant, yet has more density and depth as well as rocking notes of crème de cassis, black raspberry, spicy oak, and violets. It has outstanding potential..» *Jeb Dunnuck November 2020*

THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER - JEFF LEVE - 90

“From vineyards planted in limestone terroir, the wine is medium-bodied, juicy, sweet, fresh, bright and forward. Drink this young wine for its beautiful ripe fruit.» -

Jeff Leve June 2020

ROBERT PARKER - 90-92

«Medium to deep garnet-purple colored, the nose sings of freshly crushed black cherries, blackberries and mulberries with suggestions of Marmite toast, smoked meats and cast-iron pan plus a waft of cracked black pepper. Full-bodied, the palate delivers bags of ripe, juicy black fruits with a sturdy frame of grainy tannins, finishing with appealing freshness and with plenty of minerals.» *Lisa Perrotti-Brown June 2020*

YVES BECK - 92-93

«Bouquet complexe alliant fraîcheur et notes de baies rouges ainsi que de filigranes nuances de chocolat. Caractère friand et compact en bouche. Très beau toucher de tannins. Ces derniers sont fins et en parfaite harmonie avec la structure. Que de caractère, de fougue et de fraîcheur dans ce vin ! 2023-2035 » *Yves Beck avril 2020*

VERT DE VIN - 93

«The nose offers power, intensity as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. It reveals notes of cassis, small wild black fruits, small notes of blueberry associated with touches of fleshy raspberry as well as small hints of black pepper, liquorice and camphor. The palate is fruity, well-balanced, racy and offers a good definition, gourmandize, tension, a fine freshness, harmony as well as a beautiful finesse of the grain. On the palate this wine expresses notes of fleshy/juicy blackberry, cassis, small notes of strawberry associated with touches of blueberry, raspberry as well as fine flowery hints (lilac, lily) and small red berries. Good length.» *Jonathan Chicheportiche Aout 2020*

