

# CHÂTEAU LA GRÂCE FONRAZADE

## SAINT-EMILION GRAND CRU



2021



### VINEYARD

**Vineyard** located on the Saint-Emilion plateau, surrounded by prestigious Grands Crus Classés.

**Soil**, the vines are planted on three distinct types of terroir: with some plots characterized by fine gravel, some presenting clay-limestone soil, and others with a sandy-clay soil very rich in iron residues.

**Orientation**, mainly south-north.

**Age**, the vines date from 1938 to 2015. Part of the vineyard is being restructured with 9,000 vines per hectare.

**Planting density** 6,200 to 9,000 vines/ha

### APELLATION & MILLESIME : Saint-Emilion Grand Cru 2021

#### GROWING METHODS & HARVESTS

**Organic** (certification from the 2013 vintage onwards), with respect for the soil and the surrounding flora and fauna.

**Controlled** yields through growing techniques and manually.

**Pruning** double guyot.

**Disentangling** of the bunches, ploughing of the soil into mounds around the base of the winter, and return of soil to the space between the vines in the spring.

**Leaf removal** adapted to each row after the fruit has set.

**Manual thinning** halfway through the ripening stage, with our expert team.

**Harvests** manual, at optimal ripeness, with sorting in the vineyard.

#### VINIFICATION & MATURING

**Total destemming.**

**Mechanical and manual** sorting after destemming

**Cold pre-fermentation maceration** for 6 to 8 days to extract and enhance the fruit, then post fermentation maceration for 28 to 30 days and pressing by gravity. Occasional punching down of the pomace cap.

**Alcoholic fermentation** with indigenous yeasts at 25-26 C°, daily tasting for optimal control and delicate extraction

**Maturing** most batches are matured for 18 to 24 months in French oak barrels (50% to 80% new depending on the vintage)

**BLEND** 85 % Merlot noir, 10 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet Franc

**DISTRIBUTION** France, Belgium, China, Netherlands, Japan, USA, Luxembourg

#### CERTIFICATIONS



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