CHATEAU DE CRUZEAU

Château de Cruzeau Red 2022

AOC Pessac-Léognan, Bordeaux, France

PRESENTATION

Château de Cruzeau is situated on superb gravelly hilltops, perfectly oriented, and benefits from ideal natural conditions for growing vines. Its red wines are always fine and elegant, the perfect expression of the exceptional terroir of Pessac-Léognan. Delicately spicy, with notes of truffle and undergrowth, these modern, charming wines are particularly well-balanced, with freshness, a lovely structure and delicious fruit aromas.

THE VINTAGE

WEATHER CONDITIONS

2022 was a particularly atypical year due to extreme weather conditions. In addition to a very early frost in the spring, which affected the vineyard just as the vines were starting to bud, there was a long period of exceptional drought from May until the end of September. The result was low yields and a perfect state of health at harvest time throughout the vineyard.

HARVEST

5 September - 6 October 2022

THE WINE

VARIETALS

Merlot 70%, Cabernet sauvignon 30%

ALCOHOL CONTENT

13 % vol.

TASTING

Its intense red colour is reminiscent of a ripe cherry.
The nose is extremely expressive and complex, with delicate aromas of ripe red fruit mixed with delicious notes of redcurrant and blackcurrant. A hint of toastiness adds an extra touch of deliciousness to the nose.
On the palate, there is a perfect balance between the wine's fleshiness and its freshness. The tannins are also supple. A long finish. An elegant wine, full of promise.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Barbecued saddle of lamb, guinea fowl with chanterelle mushrooms, tournedos with porcini mushroom sauce.

SERVING

Serve between 15°C and 17°C

AGEING POTENTIAL

10 to 15 years

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THE VINEYARD

TERROIR

Ridges with deep gravel.

SURFACE AREA OF THE VINEYARD

71 ha

AGE OF VINES

19 years old

IN THE VINEYARD

Pruning type: Double guyot with debudding.
Grape Harvest: mecanical.

THE CELLAR

WINEMAKING

In stainless-steel temperature-controlled tanks with patented cap-breaking system.

AGEING

For 12 months in oak barrels (30-40% new) with racking each trimester.

REVIEWS AND AWARDS

Yves Beck

"Precise and intense, the bouquet of this Château de Cruzeau is full of the freshness so often found in 2022s. It also displays elegant fruity nuances. Juicy and full-bodied, the wine has compact, perfectly integrated tannins that give it breadth and power, while the acid structure enhances the aromatic expression right through to the finish. A linear, reliable and promising wine. (Tasted en Primeur)"
Yves Beck - Beckustator, 01/06/2023

92-93/100

tastingbook

"Intense purple colour with violet hue. Elegant and slightly closed nose with restrained fruit, discreet toasting, fine spices and aromatic herbs. On the palate well balanced with ripe tannins, juicy character, sweet fruit and very good length, subtle oak in the background. (Tasted en Primeur)"
Markus Del Monego, Tasting Book, 03/05/2023

91/100