



Millésime: 2020

History

For more than a hundred years, Chateau Haura consisted of two ancient adjoining properties in the commune of Illats: Hillot and Haura.

This 15 hectare wine farm extends over two gravelly outcrops separated by a little valley. It has been known for a long time for making a sweet white wine of exceptional subtlety.

In 2002 the owner, Bernard Leppert, rented it to Denis Dubourdieu. Although it had mostly been planted up with white vines, on these most exceptional graves terroirs, it has since been largely replanted to red vines to produce a great classical Bordeaux wine. Chateau Haura however still produces a few barrels of delicious noble rot sweet wines.

In the meantime the Dubourdieu family has acquired a few adjoining plots on one of the very best graves terroirs, with the resulting production of red wines of exceptional quality

The wine

Le Haura rouge présente le style d'un grand bordeaux classique de la rive gauche où s'exprime la fraîcheur tannique et le fumé du Cabernet Sauvignon sur graves associés au soyeux du Merlot.

Le Haura Cérons exprime la douceur et la suavité caractéristiques des grands terroirs de vins liquoreux qui font la renommée de l'appellation Cérons.

The vineyard

Terroir: typical of Graves soil

Area: 13 hectares

Variety: 44 % merlot, 66 % cabernet Sauvignon

Average age of the vines: 22 years

Production

Red wines: matured in stainless steel vats, extracted by piegeage.

Matured for 12 months in barrels

Blending

60% Cabernet Sauvignon - 40% Merlot

Comment(s)

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Soft and flavorful with a medium body, round tannins and a medium finish. A little light at the end.

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Note: 88-89

Dark ruby, opaque core, faint ochre brightening on rim. Fresh sweet cherry, candied orange zest, fresh plum, inviting bouquet. Juicy, fresh, dark berry fruit, well-integrated, rounded tannins, fine minerality, nougat note, balanced, affordable wine that makes fine everyday drinking for Bordeaux-lovers. Ulrich SAUTTER

Note: 90-92

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Very deep purple. The Dubourdieu properties really seem to have gone for depth of colour in 2020! Nicely integrated, almost evolved, fruit on the nose. Fun and appealing. The tannins, which are there, are so well mastered that at first it seems as though one could drink this this evening - but no. There's masses of structure underneath the velvety impression. Fresh finish. Very Graves.

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Note: 16.5

Round, balanced and well crafted with mixed berries and savory spices. The flavors are tightly wound and show potential for evolution and depth.

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