



**Millésime : 2017**

### **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 pigeage.

Matured for 12 months in barrels

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## **Blending**

65 % Cabernet- Sauvignon - 35 % Merlot

## **Comment(s)**

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Fresh and direct, with pretty cherry and plum notes infused with light savory and sandalwood accents. Silky finish.

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This estate is located in the village of Illats, on gravel soils that Denis Dubourdieu replanted to mainly red grapes from their previous white vines. You can see why in this wine - it has a firm punch of black fruits that doesn't escape the relatively high acidity of the vintage, but certainly works with it and delivers a firm but juicy frame with fine tannins and a lovely fresh mint finish. Rich ruby red in colour, with some very attractive violet edging. They've done a great job on this wine. Drinking Window 2020 - 2030

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### **B my Bordeaux**

Ruby. Dark fruity, anise, blueberries, some spices nose, scented. Fresh acidity, ripe tannins, fruity, anise, dark berries, bit leaner finish.

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The 2017 Haura has a surprisingly intense bouquet with blackberry, warm gravel and scents of morels on the nose. This is much more outpoint than I expected. The palate is medium-bodied with light tannins that frame the simple, but pure dark berry fruit laced with brown spices on the finish. It has an easygoing personality and should drink well for 4 or 5 years.

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