



**Millésime : 2012**

### **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**

60 % Cabernet Sauvignon - 40 % Merlot

## **Comment(s)**

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Couleur sombre, d'intensité moyenne. Nez fruité de type mûr. Notes de cuir. Bouche fruitée, savoureuse, mais un peu légère

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Note : 14.75 //86

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Vigorous bitter cherry and dark plum notes, with a good lacing of tobacco. Lightly tarry edge on the finish. Textbook AOC character.

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Note : 88-91

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From another estate from the well-known Bordeaux Oenologist/professor Denis Dubourdieu, comes Haura's 2012. A straightforward, somewhat foursquare style of Graves, with good fruit, moderate tannin and adequate depth, this is a solidly made, competent 2012, but not terribly exciting. Drink it over the next 7-8 years.

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