



L'île Rouge Grande Terre - 2020

Winemakers: Antonin Jamois

AOC: Vin De France

Vintage: 2020

Vol: 15 %

RS: 0 g/L

Total Acidity: 3.50 g/L

Volatile Acidity: 0.66 g/L

pH: 3.46

S02: < 10 mg/L

Total Production: 3,500 bottles

Grapes: 100% Merlot Noir

Parcelle: Barbara Nord

Soils: Clay-Limestone and Starfish Rock

Vegan: Yes

Allergens: None

Closure: Cork, Cage

Drinking Window: 2023 - 2030

Ethos: Certified "Bio" & "Vin Méthode Nature"

Producer: Antonin Jamois expand the 0.8 hectares of Merlot to 2.5 hectares, by planting Castets, Mancin and Sémillon. He farms the whole property organically and promotes permaculture to preserve soil fertility and promote biodiversity in the vines including the cultivating of ancient cereals and fruit trees. The rest of the property is woodland and a meadow for his horse. A serene and intelligent approach, for wines that finally shake up the codes of Bordeaux!

The soils are shallow: Clay-Limestone on a bed of starfish rock (another type of limestone). Below the vines is this an old Troglodyte, a 19th century freestone quarry, built into the cliff. Vinifying and ageing the wine here keeps his red barrels cool all year round, preserving the freshness of the fruit and the "prise de mousse" for his Merlot Pet Nat.

Viticulture and Vinification: Hand harvested 18-19/09. Grapes destemmed before vatting. Gravity vatting; without pump. Maceration by gravity pumping over (without pump) and pigeages. 16 days vatting. No input added. 16 months in barrels (first, second and third fill). Racked twice under pressure of CO2. Unfined, unfiltered, nothing added. Bottled 11/4/22.

Tasting: Serve 16 – 18 °C



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