

## **CASTLE MANCEDRE** AOC Pessac-Léognan Rouge

HISTORY	The vines of Château Mancèdre, completely destroyed by frost during the winter of 1956, remained abandoned for almost 40 years; The grandparents of the current owner, Jean Trocard, being too elderly to attempt the replanting of their property. In 1994, Jean Trocard decided to take on this immense task. It meant starting from scratch but he felt up to the challenge. His ambition? To be the best of the non classed properties in the appellation
AREA	12,90 hectares
GRAPE VARIETIES	60% Cabernet sauvignon, 40% Merlo
TERROIR	Château Mancèdre's 12.90 hectares of vines are situated in the east of the appellation of Pessac-Léognan. The vineyard thrives on its terroir of gravel soils and sub-soils, Pyrenean in origin, which bestow both intensity and finesse to the wines. The vines benefit from stable levels of hydration which, in conjunction with the gravel soils that naturally control the alimentation in nutrients, result in grapes that are perfectly ripe with concentrated flavours. The red varieties are grown in three parcels : a hill-top plot of north-facing gravel soils situated beside the cellar and vines of Château Fieuzal; a parcel of gravels on east-west oriented slopes beside Château Malartic-Lagravière and finally, an island of gravel soils next to Domaine de Chevalier.
PLANTING DENSITY	7400 vines/ha
AGE OF VINES	24 years
HARVEST AND VINIFICATION	All vines are picked and sorted by hand. The entirety of the harvest is then destemmed and manually sorted again. Individual parcel management allows us to preserve the homogeneity and character of each distinct lot.
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