Cantemerle



PRODUCER
Cantemerle

REGION
Bordeaux

WHERE
Macau, Haut-Médoc, Bordeaux

CLASSIFICATION
Fifth Growth (1855)

GRAPES
Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot

VINTAGE AND SIZE
2009 · 12 x 75cl OWC

About Cantemerle

Château Cantemerle is in Macau, at the southern end of the Haut-Médoc, its château set in a wooded park. It holds a curious place in the 1855 Classification: it was added as a Fifth Growth shortly after the original list was drawn up.

Since the early 1980s it has been owned by the insurance group SMABTP, which replanted and renovated the estate. Its vines grow on sandy gravel soils, and the wine is known for elegance and finesse rather than power.

About the wine

Cantemerle is a fragrant, finely textured Haut-Médoc, blending Cabernet Sauvignon with Merlot and smaller amounts of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Its style is elegant, with red and black fruit, floral notes and supple tannins, in a lighter frame than the Pauillacs further north. It drinks well within ten years, yet good vintages age gracefully for twenty or more.

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