



LOUDENNE

LE CHÂTEAU

2019

BORDEAUX ROSÉ



First year of conversion to **Organic** farming

High Environmental Value (HVE) Certified at the highest level 3.



A rarity, a real rosé, produced only in a few thousand bottles.

Remembering its glamorous English period, the pink color ("rose" in French) is symbolic in Loudenne: the Château known in the Médoc as "the pink castle", its rose garden, the rose of its logo...

Terroir and vineyard:

Loudenne le Château rosé is produced from a single small plot of Merlot located on the bottom of one of the 2 gravel hills producing the red.

Soil: clay-limestone with limestone blocks.

Vineyard: 0.59 ha (1.5 acres) - age 4 y.o.

Density: 5,000 plants / hectare.

100% Merlot.

2019 weather conditions:

Spring was cool and rainy. This weather was unfavourable to flowering with a significant flower abortion but fortunately no millerandage. The summer was hot and dry but the Loudenne terroir worked wonders by refreshing the atmosphere during the heat wave. The clay-limestone soils and two episodes of rain allowed the vines to withstand the drought. Harvested before full maturity of the grapes, the wine presents a beautiful balance of alcohol / acidity and great aromatic elegance.

Vendange : September 4th early morning.

Hand picking in small crates early in the morning to benefit from the coolness of the night.

Sorting table on reception.

The whole bunches are pressed at cold temperature with a long pressing cycle.

Vinification and ageing:

Fermentation in vats at cold temperature and aging on its lees.

No malolactic fermentation

Oenologist advisor: Athanase Fakorellis

Tasting comments

- *Eye: A crystal clear, bright pale pink color.*
 - *Fine and fruity nose with notes of cherry and raspberry.*
 - *Palate: fresh and crisp with a nice tension. The fruit flavors are complemented by a hint of citrus and sweet spices.*
- A fine and elegant wine.*

April 2020

Volume and blend:

2.000 bottles

100 % Merlot

Analysis:

Alcohol content: 11.5 % vol.

pH : 3.17

