

Picpoul de Pinet 2019

Eastern Languedoc, Languedoc, France



Grape Varieties	100% Picpoul
Winemaker	Graeme Paul, Joël Julien
Closure	Screwcap
ABV	13%
Residual Sugar	0.76g/L
Acidity	5.49g/L
Wine pH	3.27
Bottle Sizes	75cl
Notes	Vegetarian, Vegan

PRODUCER

The Baron de Badassière wines come from Picpoul de Pinet, an appellation near the coast in the Languedoc. Its name derives from the Badassière vineyard, situated near the small town of Pomérol, which in the 18th century belonged to Baron Charles Emmanuel, a colourful character rumoured to be the illegitimate son of King Louis XV. These wines are made exclusively for Liberty Wines at the Cave de Pomérols cooperative by winemaker Marguerite Vasseur and New Zealand consultant Matt Thomson.

VINEYARDS

The grapes for this wine come from selected vineyards around the Étang de Thau, planted on clay and limestone soils.

VINTAGE

The winter was marked by significant rainfall, and the rain continued in to the spring. Flowering and fruit set took place in good conditions. Summer experienced very high temperatures, but there was no water stress caused to the vines because of the good water reserves supplied by the rain in winter and spring.

VINIFICATION

The grapes arrived at the winery in the early morning and were macerated on the skins for a few hours, then pressed by pneumatic press. The must was cold settled for 48 hours and then fermented at a controlled temperature of 15 °C for 16 days. No oak was used and the wine was bottled early to retain freshness and delicate aromatics.

TASTING NOTES

This wine is pale lemon in colour with a youthful rim. On the nose, it has aromas of citrus fruit, grapefruit, lemon and lime, and floral notes. On the palate, it has attractive weight, with a good balance of zesty acidity and minerality, as well as a touch of saltiness on the finish.