



Wine Spots

2008 Bordeaux FRANCE

OVERVIEW

- Bordeaux is among the most famous wine regions in the world, acclaimed for its terroir.
- Nice structure with ripe red berry and dark cherry notes.
- French oak aging adds complexity and depth that will refine with age.

VINEYARDS & VINTAGE

Bordeaux, one of the most famous wine regions in the world, is acclaimed for its terroir, which plays a vital role in wine production. Ideal soil structure and an oceanic climate combine to create an excellent environment for growing vines, further influenced by two rivers that subdivide the region. Soils of clay and chalk allow Château Sainte-Marie winemaker Stéphane Dupuch to craft a generous, powerful wine.

The 2008 vintage in Bordeaux, France, was a challenging one. A cold, wet May and June led to low yields. The wet, mild weather continued throughout the summer and into September, with the exception of a warm July. This resulted in uneven ripening and required careful handling of the vineyards. The weather finally gave way to sun in mid-September. Harvest took place later than normal, allowing the grapes to stay on the vine for as long as possible to fully develop varietal characteristics. Merlot was picked in late September and Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc in early October.

FERMENTATION AND MATURATION

The grapes were handpicked from mature vineyards and underwent cool fermentation and skin maceration. The wine was aged for 12 months in French oak barrels, 20% new, to develop supple tannins.

TASTING NOTES

Wine Spots Bordeaux Red Wine offers aromas of red fruit with hints of spice. The wine has nice structure in the mouth with ripe red berry, dark cherry and subtle spice notes that linger in the finish. French oak aging adds complexity and depth.

TECHNICAL FACTS

Region: Bordeaux, France

Alcohol: 13%

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