



## Château Haut La Valette

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**Your main character trait?**

I'm discerning

**Your favourite thing about wine ?**

Conviviality with wine, sharing

**The quality you most appreciate in friends ?**

Frankness and honesty

**Your best tasting memory ?**

A Muscat de Riversaltes

In my family, winegrowing is a passion passed on from father to son. I very soon followed in the footsteps of my father, who owned a 10 hectare estate, by founding Château Haut La Valette in 1978. Over the years I have joined the two estates together to make a 22 hectare family-run vineyard. The most satisfying thing today is to be able to work with my son, who has joined me at the Château after studying winegrowing and winemaking, and work experience in several different appellations. Our characters are complementary, and his presence helps to invigorate and perpetuate a family heritage that I'm attached to.

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### BLAYE CÔTES DE BORDEAUX

**Village :** Cars

**Total surface of the vineyard :** 23 hectares

**Type of soils :** Primarily clay limestone soils followed by sandy clay and red clay soils

**Blend of grape varieties :** 75 % Merlot, 15 % Malbec and 10 % Cabernet Sauvignon

**Wine vinification :** Yeasting, pumping over and delestage adapted to suit the structure of the wine. Full control of temperatures. Three weeks' fermentation. Aged in stainless steel vats.

**Tasting notes :** Purple in colour, it opens with generous notes of fresh summer berries on the nose. The mouth is rich with powerful tannins that fade into aromas of very ripe redcurrants. As a whole it is perfectly balanced and lively with marked sweetness. An accomplished, classic style that highlights the appellation's finest terroirs.

**Wine and Food pairing :** White meats with sauce

**Awards :**

Vintage 2017 :

GOLD GILBERT ET GAILLARD 2018

GOLD FRANKFURT 2018

SILVER AWC VIENNA 2018

BRONZE INTERNATIONAL WINE AWARDS 2018

PALME WINE & FOODING PAIRING - LONDON 2018

BRUXELLES 2018 79,5/100

Vintage 2018 :

GOLD SINGAPOUR COMPETITION 2019

GOLD SHANGHAI COMPETITION 2019

GOLD JAPAN AWARDS 2019

SILVER FEMINALISE 2019

SILVER CWWSC 2019

SILVER PARIS 2019

SILVER MACON 2019

