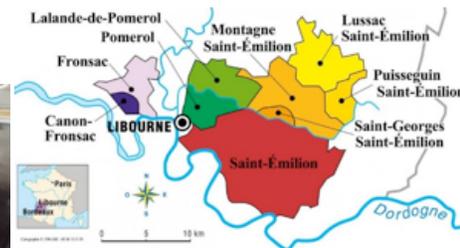




CHÂTEAU CANON SAINT-MICHEL CANON FRONSAC 2014



Certified organic and biodynamic since 10 years, Christine & Jean-Yves Millaire farm their vineyard of 40 acres located in the Fronsadais on the right bank of the Dordogne river. This subregion of the Libournais is home to two distinct appellations: Canon-Fronsac, smaller of the two, and Fronsac, its sibling appellation that surrounds the latter like a horseshoe. Five times smaller than its illustrious neighbor of Saint Emilion, this region presents a more homogenous Terroir, with starfish limestone and the "Fronsac molasses" of claysand-limestone. Also called the "Tuscany of the Gironde", for the way its land unfurl in waves along the river edge, the vineyards are set on high slopes overlooking the Dordogne and its tributary the Isle river. In the "Bordeaux world" this region is a bargain and it's dominant of Merlot means that the "drinkability window" is earlier while offering a surprising longevity. Even in the tougher vintage, Jean-Yves' wines are balanced, always bright, at the same time fleshy and joyful. He makes sure to avoid overmaturity or any excess of oak, in order to make accessible wines, even young, which displays a lot of fruit and spice as well as a delightful freshness.

SOIL TYPE

13 acres on the high slopes overlooking the Dordogne river.
Terroir of Clay and limestone with seashell deposit

VARIETAL

70% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc, 10% Malbec
40 year-old vines

CULTURE

High-density of plantation.
Organic and biodynamic certified since 2006.
No herbicide, no pesticides and no phytosanitary products used.
Traditionnal ploughing of the soil. Natural grass cover between the row.

VINIFICATION/AGEING

Harvest by hand. Alcoholic and Malolactic fermentation in 100 hl old French oak tanks. 24 months ageing for half in new and one year-old 300 litter French oak barrels and for half in 30hl French oak "foudre". No fining and no filtration before bottling. 1600 cases production.

TASTING NOTES

Ripe black fruit blend perfectly with a charming silky texture. Some spicy notes along with a subtle backbone of mineral acidity brings life to this wine. The Mablec kick at the end provide an elegant and distinctive character.



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