

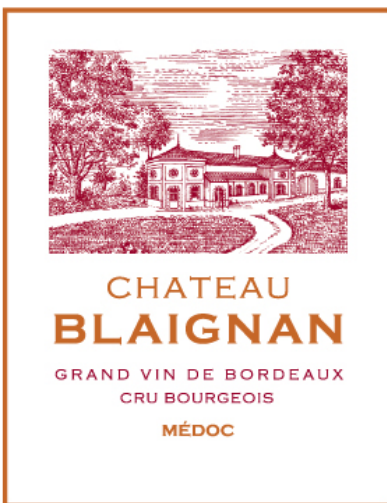
# Château Blaignan

Cru Bourgeois, Médoc

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## Vintage 2012



## Terroirs

The limestone-clay soil lies on a calcareous limestone base, whose sedimentation dates back to the quaternary period.

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## Surface of the vineyard

97 ha

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## Planting density

7 600 Vines / ha

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## Average Age of the vines

30 years

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## Appellation

Médoc - Cru Bourgeois

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## Farming method

Parcel management of soil and vineyard. Certified sustainable farming.



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### *Climatic Conditions*

The 2012 growing season was marked by indifferent weather. The rainy, cold spring was followed by a dry summer, which slowed the vegetative cycle of the vine. Nevertheless, we waited until the first weeks of October to start the harvest. 2012 remains in the memory as an atypical, complicated year where human choices were more important than ever.

### *Ripening phases*

Mid-flowering: around 16 June  
Mid-ripening: around 22 August

### *Harvest*

From 9 to 23 October 2012

### *Yields*

42 hl / ha

### *Winemaking*

The new winery allows tank temperatures for fermentation and maceration to be precisely controlled. Post-fermentary maceration lasts for between 21 and 30 days with temperatures held between 28°C and 30°C. Maturing will then last for 15 to 17 months.

### *Production*

500 000 bottles

### *The blend*

43% Cabernet Sauvignon, 55% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc

### *Tasting notes*

The colour of Château Blaignan delights the eye with its crimson reflections. A charming impression that continues on the fresh nose, first fruity then indulgent with a hint of vanilla. The supple attack leads to a delicate and well-knit mid-palate.

### *Press comments*

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