

# CHÂTEAU FLEUR HAUT GAUSSENS

MALBEC

## La Viminière 2016



Malbec « La Viminière » is one of the two varietals from the Château Fleur Haut Gaussens estate. From a precocious terroir, this 100 % Malbec is the result of a new approach in plot selection and modern vinification. Aging potential: +/- : 10 years.

2016, unexpected vintage. With very abundant rainfall from January to mid-June followed by 3 summer months without water enable a great blooming of the vines. In the beginning of September, the thunderstorm stopped the hydric stress on the vines and enabled the maturation of the grapes. We were patient, the maturation of the tannins took time and the first harvest started in October. The freshness of the night preserved the aromas and acidity of the berry.

The nose is pure and elegant with blackberry and blueberry aromas and just the right amount of smokiness. The attack is precise, and the wine progressively gets bigger, reaching a very sophisticated balance between the quality of the tannins, body, flavors and freshness. The palate is full, generous and suave. It displays an array of ripe blackberries, blond tobacco, peppery spices and plush, sweet tannins. A tannic backbone leads to a complex, long and elegant wine.



Appellation : Bordeaux Supérieur

Terroir : Limestone and clay - Average vines age : 6 years  
Superficy : 2ha - Density Control : 4500 ft / ha

Varietal: 100% Malbec  
Pruning : Double Guyot

Vineyard management: Sustainable agriculture  
Harvest : Machine harvested, optimum maturity following two separate maturity analysis controls

Winemaking process: Cold maceration, use of thermo regulated stainless steel tanks, malolactic fermentation.  
Ageing : 30% in new french oak barrels 400 litters oak for 5 months

ABV : 13,5 %

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