

CHATEAU
LA CONSEILLANTE

Pomerol just would not be Pomerol without La Conseillante at its heart. With its unique geographical situation on the Catusseau plateau, the vineyard of La Conseillante covers different nuances of soil-type, making up a patchwork of terroirs that is its special hallmark.

It has been 300 years now since Catherine Conseillan purchased the estate. In addition to her name, her legacy lives on in a certain way of thinking at the estate. Louis Nicolas bought the property in 1871 when it totalled 12 hectares (30 acres) of vines, shrewdly planted on soils made up of a diversity of clays. Five generations and 147 vintages later, the mosaic of vine plots is still the same. Successive owners each inherited the same vision and precious savoir-faire. The family attachment to this place is profound, while the Nicolas family's heart-felt wish is to forever ensure La Conseillante's unique style.

La Conseillante thus continues on that same path. Led by Marielle Cazaux and partnered by Michel Rolland, the team continues to perfect its knowledge of these terroirs in the vineyard and to fine-tune its work in the cellars. An increasingly proactive and caring approach in the vineyard offers grapes which express with ever greater distinction the characteristics of each plot of vines. Harvested, vinified and aged separately, they provide the precious raw material that will be skilfully brought together in the final blend, when the true nature of each individual terroir and the precision work performed in each task come beautifully into focus. The Merlot subtly mingles with a small but precious amount of Cabernet Franc to offer inimitable aromatic expression in a wine of great suaveness, elegance, boldness and finesse.

Owners

Nicolas family

General managers

Dr Bertrand Nicolas
Jean-Valmy Nicolas

Winemaker

Marielle Cazaux

Consultant

Michel Rolland

Vineyard

60%
Clay

40%
Sandy gravel

35 years
Average age of the vines

Wine-making

40 000 bottles
Annual production

60-80%
New French oak barrels

18 months
Length of ageing time