

DOMAINES HENRI MARTIN

CHÂTEAU BEL-AIR

Haut-Médoc

APPELLATION • AOC HAUT-MÉDOC

SURFACE AREA • 34 hectares

DISTRIBUTION OF THE VINES • A vineyard with an average vine age of 30 years.

GRAPE VARIETIES • 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc

NATURE OF THE SOIL • The soil is made up of fine gravelly ridges and most of the subsoil is blue clay

HARVESTING • Manual

FERMENTING CELLAR EQUIPMENT • Stainless steel vats with thermoregulation

VINIFICATION • Traditional method with long final maceration process for the production of vins de garde (wines for laying down)

AGEING • 12 months in casks, 25% of which are replaced very year

HISTORY • Château Bel Air is in Cussac, on the outskirts of Saint-Julien Beychevelle and on the banks of the Gironde. This Haut-Médoc cru bourgeois was acquired by the Martin family in 1980 and, although it is in a less renowned appellation, the vineyard has the same attentions and care lavished upon it as the family's estates in Saint-Julien.



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