

CHÂTEAU PONTET-CAILLOU

Pontet Caillou results from a happy meeting between Dominique Haverlan, enterprising wine grower, and Francis Dumigron who would like to see the creation of a vineyard in AOC Pessac Leognan on a plot of pines decimated by storm in 1999.

The farmer's good sense and a cordial relationship permitted a plantation of 13 hectares in one time in 2004. The vineyard is situated on a gravelly mound in Leognan, the most acknowledged place of Graves, between Domaine de Chevalier (classified growth of Graves) and Chateau de Léognan. This gravelly mound is crossed by its path on the middle of vines. Its gives the impression of un "little bridge" ("Pontet" in French) linked graves ("Caillou") to gironde forest.

Searched harmony between soil, aspect and grape varieties is confirmed by qualitative potential and excellence level for its first harvest in 2006.



Origin	: France , Bordeaux
Type	: Dry red wine
Appellation	: AOC Pessac Leognan
Location	: Portets
Grape varieties:	50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 42% Merlot, 8% Petit Verdot
Soil	: Thin gravel mixed with black sand
Vineyard	: 13 hectares
Winemaking	: Totally de-stemmed harvest. Traditional vinification with 20 to 25 days maceration. Rigorous and selective blending: we keep about 50% of the harvest.
Ageing	: 12 month in oak barrels.