

## Château Gloria, St-Julien, Bordeaux, France, 2016

### Viticulture

Henri Martin's lifetime achievement was no doubt the creation of Château Gloria. Row by row of vines, parcel by parcel, he patiently and systematically negotiated with his own friends in the commune of Saint-Julien to buy these various "cru classé" parcels superbly situated on Günzian gravel, which were to eventually make up the Château Gloria estate. 40 year-old vines on average situated over 3 zones: in the centre of Beychevelle, in the West and North of the. appellation

### Winemaking

Gloria underwent extensive modernisation in 1991. The winery was entirely renovated and equipped with a conveyor belt from the grape hopper, an ultra-modern de-stemmer that keeps the grapes whole, new glazed stainless steel temperature-controlled vats, and a system for concentrating the wine by evaporating it in a vacuum. A second ageing cellar was built in 2000, bringing the total capacity up to 2,000 barrels. The wine is aged for 14 months in casks, an average of 40% of which are replaced. 25% of new barrel.

### Tasting Note

A beautiful deep purple colour with maroon highlights. Lovely aromatic and dense big blackcurrant fruit notes and a hint of graphite. There is a poised energy on the mid-palate and it finishes with silky fruit and grippy tannins. Exceptional!

### Food Matching

The traditional partner to roast beef and hearty meat dishes in general.



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### Technical Details

#### Varieties:

Cabernet Sauvignon 60%  
Merlot 30%  
Others 10%

**ABV:** 13.5%

**Colour:** Red

**Style:** Still wine

**Case Size:** 6 x 75cl

#### Oak Ageing

**Time:** 14 months

**Type:** French

**% wine oaked:** 100

**% new oak:** 25