

CHATEAU
GRAND CORBIN-DESPAGNE
GRAND CRU CLASSÉ
SAINT-ÉMILION GRAND CRU

Location : To the north of the Saint-Emilion appellation, bordering Pomerol.

Appellation : Saint-Emilion Grand Cru

Classement : Grand Cru Classé

Vineyards area : 28 hectares 79 ares 03 centiares

Grape varieties :
- 75% Merlot
- 24% Cabernet-Franc
- 1 % Cabernet-Sauvignon

Average age of the vines : 38 years old

Terroir : Siliceous-clay over iron deposits and ancient sands over clay

Number of vines planted : Between 6 000 and 8 000 / hectare

Vine growing methods : ploughing or a grass cover crop without any use of weedkillers. From 1996 the vines were grown according to integrated and sustainable farming principles (with AFAQFNOR certification since 2005) as part of a sustainable economy approach (Terra Vitis charter). No herbicides have ever been used.

In 2004 we conducted trials on a part of the vineyard following the principles of organic farming, before converting fully to organic farming in 2010.

In 2013 we acquired "Organic Wine" certification. Since 2018 we have trialled a number of plots using biodynamic practices.

Green vine work : de-budding, removal of double buds, de-leafings, de-suckering (lateral shoots), crop thinning if required.

Harvests : Picked by hand, with 5 successive stages of sorting.

Rendement moyen : 35 à 40 hl/ha

Vinification : Various procedures that vary from one batch to another : several short stages of pumping-over, release of the juice, punching the cap.

Ageing : 40% to 60% new barrels, 35% to 50% 1-year old barrels.

Bottling: 21 months after the harvest

Average annual production : 70,000 to 100,000 bottles depending on the vintage

Second wine : Petit Corbin-Despaigne - Saint-Emilion Grand Cru

