



## GENERAL FACTS

**Les Conseillans covers twenty hectares of woodland, vineyards and fields in the heart of the Premières Côtes de Bordeaux, a few kilometres from the village of Saint-Caprais-de-Bordeaux.**

In 2011, the Chateau was acquired by Bruce Jackson, an American wine enthusiast, and his wife Irina Krasovskaya. Over the next three years, Bruce and Irina, restored the Chateau, renovated the vineyards and completely modernized the technical facilities.

## VINEYARD & VINTAGE NOTES

**The 2014 vintage can be considered as very classical for Bordeaux.**

The climatology was quite typical with a very sunny and dry fall which allowed the berries to mature correctly.

The vineyards of Chateau Les Conseillans stand on a terroir of gravelly and clay soils mostly facing south. It is divided into 14 distinctive plots with different varietal mix and age.

## WINEMAKING NOTES

**We believe that the vineyard is the major contributor to the wine's quality and character.**

Because of this we try to limit our interventions to the most classical of French vineyard techniques. We avoid weed-killers and use pheromones to fight against insects. Farming for flavour and picking on the optimum day are essential. Hand picking, gentle de-stemming, and thorough sorting are the primary practices. Every different grape varietal is fermented separately in small cement tanks. The extraction of the cap is a mix of pumping over and "pigeages" technique. The wine is given long ageing in French oak barrels, and a great deal of attention is given to the blending to obtain the most representative wine of the "terroir" and vintage.

## WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES

*This wine has an intense garnet red colour. There is a black fruit and spicy bouquet.*

*The flavours and textures on the palate are soft but powerful with both fruit and oak character contributing equally. While tasty at the moment this wine will gain in complexity and suppleness over the years, given a year or two of bottle ageing.*

Surface	5Ha34
Appellation	Côtes de Bordeaux
Géology	Gravels on Clay
Varietal	65% Merlot 20% Cabernet Sauvignon 8% Malbec 7% Cabernet franc
Density	5600 plants/Ha
Average year	35 years old
Vats	Cement
Harvest	Hand picking
Date	October 2014
Barrel ageing	15 months (50% new oak)
Yield	47HI/Ha
Blend	57% Merlot 23% Cabernet Sauvignon 12% Malbec 8% Cabernet franc
Bottling Date	April 2015
Production	820 cases
Alcohol	13.0 %
pH	3.65
Sugar level	<2gr/l - Dry

