

# LE COMTE DE DAUZAC

## 2022

### HAUT-MÉDOC



Jean-Baptiste Lynch, an emblematic owner of Château de Dauzac, prestigious Classified Growth in Margaux, was named Count of the Empire in 1810 by Napoleon Bonaparte. The wine, an echo to this character, reveals itself by its purity, red fruits aromas and velvety tannins.

The 2022 vintage will be remembered by all. The particularly mild winter led to a very early bud break. Frosts were avoided during the cool nights of April. Once again, the Gironde estuary served as a protector for the Château Dauzac vineyard. Flowering began around May 15th under ideal climatic conditions; however, the end of the flowering period was marked by violent storms. Fortunately, the vineyard was spared from hail. This last rainy episode then gave way to a very hot and very dry summer. Drought was the most concerning element of this vintage. Herbal teas applied regularly helped the vine strengthen its defenses and withstand this climate. Only rain in August helped the vine complete its veraison. The harvest took place under exceptional weather conditions from September 5th to 26th. The harvest volume was reduced due to the lack of water, but the remarkable quality will inscribe the 2022 vintage among the greatest ever known in Bordeaux.



#### APPELLATION

Haut-Médoc

#### BLEND

80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot

#### GROWING SURFACE AREA

4,1 hectares

#### SOIL TYPE

Gravelly hilltops

#### ROOTSTOCKS

101-14, Riparia Gloire et 3309

#### FERTILISER

Organic

#### PLANT DENSITY

10 000 vines stocks per hectare

#### AVERAGE AGE OF VINES

35-40 years

#### TYPE OF PRUNING

Double Guyot system with de-budding

#### HARVESTING

By hand in small crates and table sorting before and after destemming

#### VINIFICATION

Use of a gravity-flow cellar

#### ALCOHOLIC FERMENTATION

In thermo-regulated stainless steel vats.

Fermentation temperature 28°C

#### MALOLACTIC

Yes

#### FINING

If needed, with plant proteins

#### AGEING

Traditional for 12 months with racking according to tasting

#### ALCOHOL CONTENT

14% Vol.

#### TASTING COMMENTS

The nose is fresh with a hint of spicy fruit. The palate is a fine balance of crisp fruit and silky tannins.

#### AGEING POTENTIAL

In its best years from 3 to 15 years, at its peak between 15 and 20 years.

#### 100% VEGAN CERTIFIED WINE PRODUCTION



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