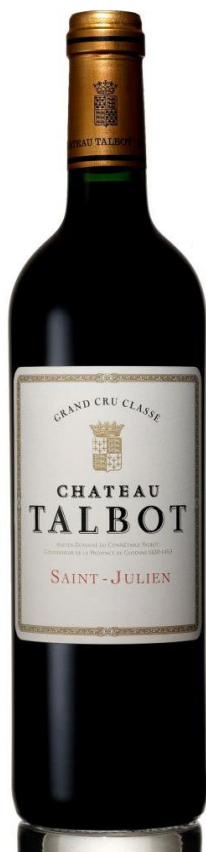




CHATEAU TALBOT

Grand Cru Classé Saint-Julien

2007



HISTORY

Legend relates that the name of this imposing estate originates with Connétable Talbot, a famous English warrior, defeated at the battle of Castillon in 1453. Talbot is one of the Medoc's oldest estates, its glory never tainted. Through the years it has been fortunate enough to remain in good hands. The owners are Nancy Bignon-Cordier and her family. They are the fourth generation of Cordiers to manage this Saint-Julien fourth classified growth.

Appellation	Saint-Julien, 4th Grand Cru Classé in 1855
Surface Area	99 ha
Soil	Medoc's gravelly soil
Density	7700 plants/ha
Vines average age	50 years
Pruning	Medoc Double Guyot pruning
Cultivation	Plowing 4 traditional ways
Harvest	By hand
Sorting	In the vineyard and at the sorting table
Vinification	In woodenvats
Maturing	50% new barrels
Harvest 2007	From September 21 st to October 10 th
Blend 2007	66% Cabernet Sauvignon, 31% Merlot, 3% Petit Verdot
Bottling date	From May 04 th to May 27 th 2009

VINTAGE 2007

April was a really beautiful month, very dry and warm. May, June and early summer were quite humid, but September was incredibly sunny and warm, which allowed the grapes to ripe. Consequently, the right balance of sugar and acidity was reached. The phenolic components were finally high enough and it was time to harvest.

TASTING NOTES

This Château Talbot 2007 reveals complex aromas of yellow fruits and paprika enhanced with new oak and graphite notes. On the palate, the smooth attack is followed by tight tannins which give a really well-structured wine.

AWARDS

Bettane&Desseauve	15/20	Wine Enthusiast	91-93
Decanter	4 stars	Wine Spectator	87-90