

CHÂTEAU CLARKE LE MERLE BLANC 2023

Listrac-Médoc, Bordeaux

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TASTING NOTES: This wine offers intense aromas of exotic fruits and juicy white pear. Upon aeration, its complexity deepens with hints of flint and white flowers. On the palate, it reveals itself as ample and flavorful, carried by a beautiful acidic framework that ensures balance and freshness through the finish. The experience culminates in subtle woody notes, adding richness and elegance.

VITICULTURE: The grapes for this wine come from the 135-acre Château Clarke estate in Listrac-Médoc. The 30-year-old vines are pruned using a double Guyot training system and managed with natural grass cover to promote biodiversity and soil health.

VINIFICATION: The grapes are pressed, cold settled, fermented and matured on the lees. 25% of the blend is aged in new barrels, 25% in second fill and the remainder in stainless steel for 6 months.

INTERESTING FACT: Château Clarke is one of the rare estates in the Médoc to produce a white wine. Le Merle Blanc is part of the Château's heritage, dating back to 1890. Much appreciated and widely known, this white wine once accounted for nearly a quarter of the estate's production. Today, the wine reflects the estate's commitment to preserving this historic Médoc tradition.

STORY: Château Clarke takes its name from the Irish family who purchased the estate in 1771. With more than two centuries of winegrowing tradition and successive owners, the property has continually evolved while maintaining its historic roots. In the late 20th century, the vineyard underwent a major transformation, with extensive restructuring of the vines and significant investments to modernize the winemaking and cellar facilities. Today, Château Clarke stands as a benchmark for quality in the Listrac-Médoc appellation, reflecting a dedication to craftsmanship, precision, and the enduring character of Bordeaux terroir.

The estate is Certified HVE Level 3 and ISO 14 001. With 135 acres planted on the serene Château grounds – vines, art, and gardens come together in harmony.

PRODUCER: Château Clarke

REGION: Listrac-Médoc, Bordeaux

GRAPE(S): 70% Sauvignon Blanc, 10% Sauvignon Gris, 10% Muscadelle, 10% Sémillon

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ALCOHOL: 13%

TOTAL ACIDITY: 4.2 G/L

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 1.5 G/L

pH: 3.32