

Pauillac de Haut-Batailley AOC

The Producer:

Chateau Haut-Batailley is located next door to Chateau Batailley, and the two properties were once part of the same estate (in fact a fairly recent split, dating back only to 1942, ten years after two Borie brothers, Marcel and Francois, bought Batailley). At just 22 hectares, it is fairly modest for a Pauillac 1855 Fih Growth estate – when the two brothers decided to split the Batailley estate to safeguard future succession issues, Francois received the smaller part, augmented by a purchase of more vines in the 1950s but still not rivalling the 58 hectares at Batailley itself. Today it is owned by François-Xavier Borie, grandson of the original. One of those increasingly rare classified Médoc chateaux that has been still offers impressive value for money.

The Wine:

Grape(s): 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot
Area: 22ha, Pauillac AOC. 10,000 vines/ha
Harvest: Mechanical and two selections before and after destemming
Vinification: 3 weeks on-skin maceration
Ageing: In French oak barrels for between 14 to 16 months

Tasting Notes:

It is a medium-bodied wine with a well-developed, ripe fruity and spicy bouquet. The flavors are so, savory and round. The palate presents a beautiful structure supported by charming tannins. It is a very pleasant wine which can be enjoyed upon release.

Code: 5553
ABV: 13%
Pack: 6*75cl
Vegan: Yes
Vegetarian: Yes
Closure: Natural Cork
Awards: 2015 - 91 Decanter

