

2021 CHÂTEAU ROUGET

POMEROL

The history of Château Rouget began several centuries ago. Already known at the end of the Roman Empire, the Estate's terroirs were at that time merged with Saint-Emilion's ones. Château Rouget is certainly the Estate in Pomerol which has made the most progress during last 20 years.



Grape Varieties: 85% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Franc
Planting Density: 3,000 vines per acre / 7,500 vines per hectare
Average Age of Vines: 45 years
Soil Management: Vineyards are farmed sustainably, using practices such as cover crops and ploughing.

Terroir:

- Soils are gravelous, either mixed with clay or with sand.
- This soil composition, combined with an exceptional exposure, confers all the typicity, elegance and finesse to Château Rouget wines.

Harvests:

- Grapes are manually picked and carefully transported in small 20 kg crates.
- Harvest occurs in several steps, in order to secure an optimal maturity level.
- Bunches are sorted a first time as soon as they arrive in the cellar.
- Then, once the grapes are fully destemmed, they go through another double sorting table.

Winemaking and Ageing:

- Alcohol 14.5+%
- Vinification: 30% barrel fermentation, 70% oak vats
- Ageing: 30% new barrels

Tasting Notes: The depth of the ruby red colour indicates an wide and generous wine. At first, the bouquet is all about black fruits and opens out on very soft and sweet spices. The freshness of the mouth and the finesse of the tannins make the wine very silky, and the crunchy mouth in the middle will be quite surprising. It is a lively wine that will reveal itself a little bit more every time you'll taste it.

JAMES SUCKLING - 93 POINTS

I like the round tannins and juicy mouth-feel to this wine, showing softness and focus. Medium body. Pleasant redcurrant and chocolate undertones.

DECANTER - 93 POINTS

Concentrated blackcurrant and black cherries on the nose. Nicely textured, this has some grip to the tannins and a little bit of a plush, salty, crushed stone texture at the palate. Still needs some time, but this has energy and some juicy, fun aspects. Salty, tangy and stony. I like this. Not trying too hard. Has a long length and good potential. In organic conversion.

THE WINE CELLAR INSIDER - 92 POINTS

Flowers, chocolate, truffles, and cherries come together in the bouquet. Medium-bodied, vibrant, supple and fresh, there is a lot of lift with energy in th, juicy, red and black plummy finish. The wine blends 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Franc. Drink from 2024-2038.

WINE ADVOCATE - 91 POINTS

An unusually rich, demonstrative wine for the vintage, the 2021 Rouget exhibits aromas of crème de cassis, raspberry liqueur and cherry preserve, framed by toasty oak. On the palate, it's medium to full-bodied, rich and fleshy, with a sweet, somewhat confectionery core of fruit framed by structuring barrel tannins.



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