



Château d'Arche

AOC Sauternes Grand Cru Classé

Château d'Arche built in 1611, is located in the heart of the village of Sauternes, the most famous of the five villages where exceptional wines are produced. Located 40km south of Bordeaux, the specificity of this vineyard is created by the Garonne and the Ciron rivers. The meeting of the cold waters of the Ciron and the warmer water of the Garonne creates a unique micro-climate that generates from the end of summer a morning fog providing optimal humidity which favors the development of Botrytis Cinerea, otherwise called "Noble Rot". While the production of Sauternes is limited to a maximum of 3,333 bottles per hectare, the requirement of Château d'Arche leads it to produce around 2,000 bottles on average per hectare.

COUNTRY

France

VARIETAL

90% Semillon
10% Sauvignon Blanc

SOIL TYPE

Clay-limestone
Gravels

VINEYARD

45 y/o vines
30 hectares
Horseback ploughing

HARVEST

Manual harvesting
2 to 3 passes

VINIFICATION

Natural yeast fermentation
Thermo-regulated vats
12 to 18 months aging in French oak barrels (50% new)

TASTING NOTES

On the nose, the wine offers up aromas of mandarin liqueur, apricot, peach, lemon curd, white flowers and sweet spicy scents of vanilla with hints of oak and a pastry note. Very rich and generous on the palate yet retaining wonderful acidity. This wine is characterized by a balanced style and beautifully lingering finish.

CERTIFICATIONS



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