

# CHÂTEAU CARIGNAN

CADILLAC CÔTES DE BORDEAUX – L'ORANGERIE DE CARIGNAN

BORDEAUX

## Story

Château Carignan is located in the town of Carignan de Bordeaux, 10km (6.5 miles) East of Bordeaux. The castle was built in 1452, by Jean Poton de Xaintrailles - comrade in arms of Joan of Arc - and was instrumental in the victory of the Castillon battle that ended the Hundred Years' War.

In 2007, Andy Lench purchased the estate that now covers 150 hectares (370 acres) of which 65 hectares (160 acres) are under vine and are spread over Cadillac Côtes de Bordeaux.

Farming philosophy : sustainable

« L'Orangerie » refers to the orangery that is part of the Château.

## Vineyard Information

Grape varieties : 60% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Cabernet Franc

Plot size : 28 ha (69 acres)

Average age of the vines : 10-15 years

South-Southwest facing

Elevation : 50 m (164ft)

Soils : Clay, limestone covered with stony gravels

### FARMING PRACTICES

- Training Method: Guyot double
- No herbicide
- Cover crops every 2 rows
- Use Organic fertilizer including manure sourced from cows at the estate

## Winemaking

- Mechanical harvest / Destemmed (100%)
- Cold Pre-fermentation maceration : 24-48h
- Fermentations : temperature-controlled stainless-steel and concrete tanks / 5-7 days
- Maceration techniques : 2 pump-overs and 1 plunging every day
- Pneumatic press
- Aging : 18 months in stainless steel tanks
- Fined : Yes
- Filtration : Tangential
- SO2 Total : <50ppm

## Tasting notes

Aromas of ripe red fruit, black and red currants on the nose. Supple texture with fresh, generous and fruity notes.

