



BEAU-SÉJOUR BÉCOT

1st Great Classified Growth

2006 Vintage

Appellation:

Saint-Emilion Grand Cru, 1st Great Classified Growth B.

Situation:

On the plateau to the west of Saint Emilion, in the ancient parish of Saint Martin de Mazerat.

Surface area:

15.92 hectares (39.33 acres).

Soils:

Asteria limestone and clay.

Density of plantation:

6,600 plants per hectare.

Grape varieties:

- 70% Merlot
- 24% Cabernet Franc
- 6% Cabernet Sauvignon

Average age of the vines:

37 years

Vineyard management:

- Bordelaise pruning, with two canes (M. Cordeau)
- Leaf thinning carried out twice
- Crop thinning
- Hand picking with three stages in the sorting of the grapes (two sortings before de-stemming and one after).

Yield:

38 hectolitres per hectare

Vinification:

- Date of picking : Merlot, from the 21st to the 27th September – Cabernets, 2nd and 3rd October, 2006
- 80 hectolitre capacity temperature controlled stainless steel vats
- Plot by plot vinification
- Manual punching down of the cap of skins
- Vatting period of 42 days
- Malo-lactic fermentation in new barrels

Ageing:

16 to 18 months with racking into barrels by gravity and malo-lactic fermentation in barrel (80% new oak barrels).

Production in 2006

604 hectolitres, making 80,000 bottles, 6,700 cases of 12.

Owners: Gérard and Dominique Bécot

Consultant oenologist: Jean-Philippe Fort

Second wine:

Tournelle de Beau-Séjour Bécot

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