

LABADIE,

This 148 acre property is situated in Begadan, one of the top villages of the Northern Medoc. Part of the original classification of Crus Bourgeois in 1932, it has been owned by the Bibey family since 1970. It is now managed by the dynamic young winemaker, Jerome Bibey. Passionate about his work, he employs only sustainable agriculture practices in the vineyard.

It is planted with 58% Merlot, 31% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot, 3% Cabernet Franc, 3% Malbec with an average age of 30 years. The soil combines clay limestone and the classic Medoc gravel.

The winery is well equipped with temperature controlled stainless steel vats, wooden vats and small oak barrels of various ages. The winemaking is traditional with great attention to detail. Since the relaunching of the Cru Bourgeois Appellation in 2009, Chateau Labadie has been one of the top contestants in the annual judging of the wines and was the winner of the Cru Bourgeois Cup for the 2011 vintage and one of the top 10 finalists for 2012.

> 91 Pts & Editors' Choice, Wine Enthusiast, 2016 Cru Bourgeois, Medoc - Merlot, Cab, Petit Verdot, Cab Franc, Malbec

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