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Château Tire Pé, Les Malbecs

Producer	Château Tire Pé
Vendor	Jenny & François Selections
Category	Wine - Still - Red
Grape variety	Malbec
Region	Bordeaux, France
Appellation	Bordeaux
Feature	Organic
Alcohol by volume	13.0%

Product information

Age of Vines: 10 to 15 years
Yields: 30 hl/ha.
Pruning Method: Double Guyot.
Soil: Clay and limestone.

Vinification Method: Grapes are harvested by hand & destemmed before they are pressed. The grapes undergo three to four weeks of cool maceration for a soft extraction. The wine is vinified in old oak barrels & the wine is aged in 300 & 400-liter old oak barrels for twelve months. The wine is bottled without systematic filtration.

Tasting Note: Deep ruby in the glass with red currant, blackberry, bramble & pounded stones. Ripe red & black fruit dominates the palate that gets a nice boost from the wines natural acidity. This is a deep & profound offering from Tire Pé that will age gracefully for a decade. Enjoy it now after an hour in the decanter.

Pairing: Grilled beef or lamb, hearty winter stews, aged cheeses, pork loin, grilled ham & roasted root vegetables.

Producer information

David and Hélène Barrault took over this small vineyard in ’97. Blessed with rich clay and limestone soils this vineyard possesses fantastic southern exposures and overlooks the Gironde River. The chateau takes its name from a colorful local tale about what small animals “leave behind” before climbing the Tire Pé hill. The Barrault’s farm there ten to fifteen year-old vines organically and great care is taken to gently extract the supple fruit and terroir, that Bordeaux is so well known for, into each cuvee they produce.

Certification: Practicing organic since 2008, and officially converting since 2011 (ECOCERT).