

CHÂTEAU
BRANE-CANTENAC

2014

SECOND GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855
MARGAUX



VINEYARD

75 hectares in AOC Margaux with 30 hectares planted on the "Terrasse" n°4, on the quaternary era-deep gravels.

55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40 % Merlot, 4 % Cabernet Franc, 0,5 % Carmenère.

VINTAGE 2014

The flowering was remarkable, fast and efficient, but the veraison did not follow in its footsteps, marked by an often gray and stormy summer. Fortunately, the final twist was perfect punctuated by sun, heat, and light!

The Cabernets Sauvignons reached their level of a very great vintage: the growth of the berries stopped after the summer rains and a lengthening of the maturation cycle allowed them to take advantage of the late summer season magnificently.

The great Merlots of the plateau, integrated in smaller quantities than usual, brought a very nice complementarity to the blend thanks to their roundness and their aromatic richness.

Harvest dates: 22 September - 17 October.

Vines' average age: 35 years old.

Vinification: in oak casks.

Ageing: 18 months in French oak barrels, with 70% new.

BLEND

77 % Cabernet Sauvignon
21 % Merlot
2 % Cabernet Franc

TASTING

Alc. degree: 13 % | **TA:** 3.7 g/l | **pH:** 3.63

A crisp red currant and cranberry nose laced with tobacco, cedar and chalk. The palate is well defined and beautifully balanced, delivering crisp acidity and fine tannin. This is unashamedly taut and linear, but it displays commendable energy on the mineral-driven finish.

Great potential to age.