

# Château La Croix du Chevalier

## Médoc AOC

**LOCATION** : In the district of Saint Ysans de Medoc, on the plateau of Blaignan, famous for producing good wines. The vineyard of Croix du Chevalier is part of the estate Château Sigognac, cru bourgeois, located on the ruins of the roman Villa Ausone and dating back the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The 47-hectare-estate, was reconstituted by the family Grasset-Bonny in the sixties before being sold in 2009 to the Vignobles Allard, run by Christophe Allard, who restructured the vineyard and continue its modernization whilst respecting the traditions and know-how which have made its wine so well-regarded.

**VINEYARD AREA** : 5 hectares under grass

**SOIL** : Clayey-calcareous

**GRAPE VARIETALS** : 34% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Merlot, 33% Cabernet Franc

The vineyard was planted between 1988 and 1989.

**HARVESTING** : Careful work in the vineyard : pruning, deleafing, green harvest. Mechanical harvesting at full ripeness.

**VINIFICATION** : Traditional in stainless steel vats. Long fermentation (5 weeks). Unballasting twice a day for more suppleness.

**AGEING** : Ageing for 50% in oak barrels

