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TASTING NOTES AFTER BOTTLING

COUFRAN 2016

Coufran 2016 has a lovely dark colour, with a bouquet of ripe berries and roasted notes. A full-bodied mouthfeel with a light, supple structure and a strong base. This is a fragrant, generous wine, with intensity and a long finish. A lovely, promising Coufran vintage.

COUFRAN 2015

This deeply coloured wine gives off aromas of blackberry and redcurrant and mellow notes of toasted oak. The palate is ample and dense, with a majority of Merlot in what is an atypical blend for the region. Throughout the tasting, the flavours and aromas of the ripe Merlot grapes provide opulence and richness. This is a full-bodied, generous, flavoursome wine.

COUFRAN 2014

A beautiful purple colour, this wine reveals a complex bouquet of jammy red fruit and slightly smoky oaked notes. On the palate, it offers lots of volume in the attack paired with a wonderful freshness, followed by a rich and tightly-knit tannic structure that leaves a lingering impression of power. This wine has huge aging potential.

COUFRAN 2013

This ruby-coloured wine reveals a bouquet of spices with hints of toast. The clean, straightforward attack leads through into good balance in mid-palate, with a fresh edge and a nice supple mouthfeel. Firm tannins make for a long-lasting, precise finish. A great success in an awkward vintage.

COUFRAN 2012

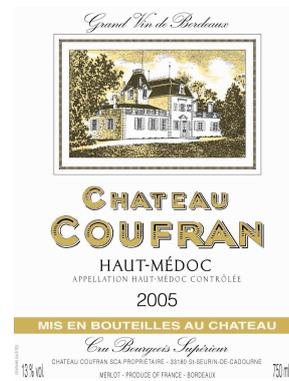
This wine boasts a lovely intense crimson colour and a bouquet of great complexity. Black fruit scents mingle with spices and hints of toast on the nose. The dense, powerful attack leads through to a supple, fleshy sensation mid-palate, while the wine's refined structure endows it with a long-lasting finish characterised by silky tannins and mellow hints of oak. Coufran 2012 is still young and boasts good ageing potential, although it is supple enough to be enjoyed right away.

COUFRAN 2011

This brilliant ruby-red wine rolls out scents of blackcurrant, red fruit and roasted coffee beans. The sensation on the palate is clean, characterised by perfect balance and a harmonious structure. The structure is supple with tender tannins, suggesting that this Coufran 2011 should be ready to drink soon, although it can also be laid down for a few years to enhance the pleasure.

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COUFRAN 2010

This darkly-coloured wine boasts a very fine aromatic palette, with burnt notes mingling with black fruit and cedar scents. On the palate, Coufran 2010 is very dense with a firm, powerful tannic structure giving it lots of flavour and length. This is a wine in a great vintage with great ageing potential.

COUFRAN 2009

This deep crimson 2009 rolls out scents of blueberry and blackcurrant, accompanied by the finest of woody hints. Full and ample on the palate, it reveals concentrated, fleshy substance, backed up by tender tannins endowing it with great length. This is a delicious wine reflecting its outstanding vintage by its remarkable complexity and rare tannic finesse.

COUFRAN 2008

Beautiful, dark robe. The nose is already very expressive, with intense, lively dark fruit aromas. The flavour is framed by ripe tannins, with an attack which is full-bodied, silky and well-rounded. Complex, rich substance. Remarkably well balanced.

COUFRAN 2007

Dense, deep ruby colour. The nose carries hints of vanilla, rubbing shoulders with very inviting red fruit notes. The flavour is pleasant and enjoyable, but still a little closed. Opens up when decanted an hour before serving. The attack is supple but elegant, and the finish reveals an attractive complexity with persistent fresh fruit aromas.

COUFRAN 2006

Complex, succulent nose with wood aromas which are, fortunately, not overpowering. With two or three more years in the bottle, the solid character of this excellent Merlot will evolve into something more rounded, and its finish will become even smoother.

COUFRAN 2005

Surprising aromas of fruit and spices.

Lots of body and brilliance thanks to the Merlot from the old vines picked at their optimal ripeness. Full-bodied and flavoursome.

The very best Coufran vintage produced so far which surpasses the fabulous 1995.

This vintage confirms the qualitative change of this atypical wine with 85% of Merlot grapes and plenty of surprises in store.

COUFRAN 2004

A typical Merlot nose of black fruit.

A remarkably concentrated, well-textured wine with a long finish.

A wine of distinctive character with great cellaring potential.

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COUFRAN 2003

A dark, intense colour.

An expressive, fruity nose marked by delicate hints of prune. The discreet, mellow woodiness leaves ample room for the expression of the wine.

The powerful, opulent taste on the palate reflects the grapes picked at their optimal ripeness.

The initial taste is fleshy and full-bodied, backed by a texture of remarkably ripe tannins which have kept all their strength and complexity.

COUFRAN 2002

A clear purple colour.

On the nose, the hint of vanilla combines with fresh, very flattering notes of soft red fruit.

The dense tannins are very present, both fine and refined.

The very well-balanced, powerful texture promises a great future for a bottle of distinctive character.

COUFRAN 2001

A deep colour.

Full-bodied and flavoursome. A good, overall texture with a pleasing backbone which should enable this somewhat austere wine to come round most enjoyably with a few years of ageing.

COUFRAN 2000

A wine of distinctive character. An intense nose with aromas of soft red and black fruit.

Relatively rich, lively and spicy on the palate.

COUFRAN 1999

A ruby red colour. A nose of cherry.

Excellent texture and concentration.

A flavoursome wine.

The first vintage to have benefited from a large part of the improvements scheduled for the new style of this wine.