

## Château Tour des Termes, St. Estèphe

St Estèphe, France

<b>Product code</b>	AN8218RC
<b>Grapes</b>	Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot
<b>Country</b>	FRANCE
<b>ABV%</b>	14
<b>Case Size</b>	12
<b>Closure Style</b>	Cork
<b>Producer</b>	Château Tour des Termes
<b>Vintage</b>	2018



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### Producer

Château Tour des Termes owes its name to an old tower located on a plot called “the Terms”. The origin of this tower dates back to the Gallo-Roman era, where remains of boat moorings dating from this period favor the hypothesis of the presence of an old lighthouse at this location thus marking the entrance an outer harbor of the ancient city Gallo Romain Brion located a few kilometers away. But the Château Tour des Termes is first and foremost the story of an old Medocan family that has gradually become the domain of the generations: the Anney family. From 1979, it is Jean and his son Christophe Anney who perpetuate the family tradition by developing the vineyard and by making important investments in buildings and materials as well as big efforts of parcel selection, which makes it possible today to Château Tour des Termes is one of the best Crus Bourgeois of the appellation.

### Tasting Notes

Expressive and pure red and black fruit notes enhanced by ripe tannins and a firm structure. The palate is silky and rich with notes of violet and spice.

### Viticulture

Soils: 1/3 Pyrenean Gravels, 2/3 Clay-limestones Grapes Varieties: 55% Merlot 44% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Cabernet Franc 2% Petit Verdot Average age of wines: 35 years old Spring 2016 is marked by heavy rainfall, summer takes place in a warm and above all very dry climate. Despite this, the vine tolerates these particular conditions very well thanks to the water reserve of the basement accumulated all winter. The quality of 2016 was built at that time. These beautiful climatic conditions continue until the last day of the harvest. They start on 28th September and end on 20th October. The superb maturities tasted in the grapes are confirmed in vats. A very intense color, a great aromatic complexity associated

with very ripe tannins make it possible to announce the 2016 as a very great vintage.

## Winemaking

Production: 90 000 bottles Vinification: 80% traditional, 20% integral vinification in new oak barrels Ageing: 15 months in oak barrels the ALLIERS regions, 50% of which are new  
Classement: Cru Bourgeois Vineyard Management: Terra Vitis Production: 90 000 bottles Vintage blend: 60% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet Franc, 5% Petit Verdot

## Awards

"Sweet oak spices, nice violet complexity to the nose, finely ground tannins, medium body, well-integrated acidity. Delivers a solid, classic example of the left-bank style." - Jancis Robinson.com

"The 2016 Tour des Termes, one of Hubert de Bouïard's consultancies, has a perfumed and quite floral bouquet, although I would like more "Saint Estephe" to be expressed. The palate is medium-bodied with crisp tannin. There is good backbone here, fresh from start to finish with impressive structure on the finish. It needs to develop more length on the aftertaste, but everything bodes well for a very fine Tour des Termes" - Neal Martin, Wine advocate 92/100

90-92 /100 - ROBERT PARKER WINE ADVOCATE

16 /20 - REVUE DES VINS DE FRANCE

17 /20 - TERRE DE VIN

92-93 /100 - JAMES SUCKLING

17 /20 - RENÉ GABRIEL

15 /20 - LE FIGARO

92 /100 - ANDREAS LARSSON

94 /100 - PAOLO BASSO

91 /100 - NEAL MARTIN

16 /20 - JANCIS ROBINSON

90 /100 - YVES BECK

91/100 - JANE ANSON

90-94/100 - DECANTER

89-92/100 - WINE SPECTATOR