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Appellation Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

Area under vine 2.3 hectares (5.6 acres)

Soil types Clay and limestone

Vineyard grape varietals 76% Merlot - 24% Cabernet Franc

Viticulture HVE 3

"Culture raisonnée" Soil tilling (4 ways)

Vine growth management adapted to the climatic

conditions

Harvest Manual harvest

Double sorting: manual and optical

Winemaking In stainless-steel vats, oak casks and barrels.

Gentle & controlled maceration & extraction

Aging 16-18 months in French oak barrels (40% new)

## History

Clos La Madeleine, a jewel-like vineyard of just 2.3 hectares, is located on the south-facing plateau and terraces of Saint-Émilion, nestled in the vineyard of Château Bélair-Monange. The estate was acquired by Ets. Jean-Pierre Moueix in September 2017.

The Magdelaine sector has been home to the leading wines of Saint-Émilion since vines were first planted here in the 6th century. Clos La Madeleine, a privileged enclave in this propitious hillside, exemplifies the elegance and minerality characteristic of these well-exposed limestone parcels.

The vineyard of Clos La Madeleine, planted on limestone bedrock covered, in some areas, by just 50 cm of clay, is managed with attentive care throughout the year (ploughing, selective cover-cropping, leaf thinning, green harvesting). A manual harvest followed by two thorough sortings ensure that only those grapes which have achieved optimal maturity are selected. Fermentation takes place in small stainless-steel tanks; the wine is then aged in French oak barrels for 16 to 18 months.

Mr Hubert de Bouard de Laforest acted as consulting oenologist for Clos La Madeleine from 2006 until the 2016 harvest. The Ets. Jean-Pierre Moueix technical teams took over full management of the property following the acquisition.

The wines of Clos La Madeleine, charming, elegant, with a remarkable mineral streak, embody the distinction of this noble terroir.

Starting with the 2022 vintage, the vineyard of Clos La Madeleine was integrated into Château Bélair-Monange.