

Ch. Landereau 2016 Bordeaux Clairet

WineWise Code	FVB-CLA16
Country	France
Region	Bordeaux
Color	Rosé
Alcohol by Volume	13
Acidity	3.00
Residual Sugar	<2
Closure	Natural Cork
Annual cases produced	2,000
Varieties	Cabernet Franc 60%, Merlot 40%
Destemming	Complete
Fermentation vessel	Stainless Steel
Aging method	Stainless Steel 100%
Aging duration (months)	3
Filtered?	Yes
Fining agents	Bentonite
Yeast	Cultured
Malolactic	No
Added Sulfur	Yes
Soil Type(s)	Gravel, Calcareous
Vineyard Aspect	Southeast
Vine Yields hl/ha	50
Farming practices	Sustainable
Vine Training Notes	Guillot trained
Grape Picking	Machine

WineWise Notes:

Clairet, which today denotes a more highly-coloured wine than normal rosé, is the name that gave rise to the English word “Claret”. Few make it today, but it really is Bordeaux’s original contribution to the world of rosé wine. (Bruno makes a lovely pale rosé as well, but we thought this one more unusual). This example is full of fruit and vigour. It truly does serve in place of both white and red, and it keeps exceptionally well.



Notes from the producer:

Médaille de Bronze au Challenge International du Vin 2017. Henri Baylet, a winemaker in North Africa, bought Landereau in 1959 and gave it to his son Michel. Over time, Landereau has grown to 45 hectares of vines. In 1981, Michel bought the neighboring winery Château Hoste-Blanc which today comprises 35 hectares of vines. In 1988 his son Bruno took over the two properties and began the production of dry white wines.

WineWise Notes on Ch. Landereau:

It is not entirely accurate to describe this Bordeaux stalwart as “new” because Bruno Baylet was a staple of the WineWise portfolio in its early days. But it is many years since we worked with his admirable wines, so we are taking the liberty of treating him as a newcomer, as to most of you he will be one. We could not be happier to re-engage with his uncompromisingly honest and forceful wines. The estate has the French certificate of sustainability known as “Haute Valeur Environnementale”.