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Appellation Lalande-de-Pomerol

Owner SCEA Garde-Lasserre

Vineyard size 2 hectares (5 acres)

Soil Types Clay and sand, iron-rich subsoil

Vineyard grape varietals 80% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc

Average vine age 40 years

Viticulture Traditional, simple guyot pruning

Harvest Manual

Winemaking Traditional, in thermo-regulated concrete vats

Aging 16 months in oak barrels (25% new)

## History

Château La Mission's jewel-sized vineyard in Lalande-de-Pomerol has been in the Garde-Lasserre family, who also own Pomerol's Clos René and Moulinet-Lasserre, for several generations. Located on the south-western edge of the appellation bordering Pomerol, the Merlot and Cabernet Franc vines are planted on an excellent terroir of loess and ferric clay.

The 40 yr. old vines are tended with meticulous care (manual harvest) in order to produce a wine with aromas of ripe fruit that is silky, full, charming, and approachable in its youth.

The name "La Mission" dates back to the time of the crusades, when knights passing through the region of Pomerol on their way toward the Mediterranean would stop to pray in front of the Mission cross, which is still present today on the property.