

DUCRU BEAUCAILLOU 2017

The finesse and smoothness of a Saint-Julien Grand Cru

The **Second Grand Cru Classé Château Ducru-Beaucaillou** leads the pack as one of the biggest Bordeaux and embodies the excellence and prestige of the **Saint-Julien** appellation.

Ducru-Beaucaillou has forged a style that distinguishes itself with depth and balance, with a structure that remains at the core of a great Médoc, and with a particular freshness on the finish.

True to the saying that "great terroirs face the water", nature has been kind to the magnificent Ducru-Beaucaillou vineyard that is ideally located near the Gironde estuary. From a vintage of contrasts, the **Château Ducru-Beaucaillou 2017** is clearly one of the greatest wines from its appellation, which highlights the technical team's exceptional work. They brilliantly orchestrated the vintage under the guidance of the estate's talented Technical Director Emmanuel Bonneau.

The blend highlights the unmistakable personality of **Cabernet Sauvignon** (90%), the symbolic black grape of the Left Bank, and the roundness and opulence of **Merlot** (10%).

The charming **Château Ducru Beaucaillou 2017** reveals a dark purple colour. In a sublime elegant freshness, a concentrated bouquet rises up from the glass with blackcurrant, ripe black berry and smoky tobacco notes that are punctuated with sweet spice. With aeration, the aromatic palate becomes even more expressive. In a sumptuous attack of flawlessness and balance, the palate is full of juicy fruit with melted tannins that coat the mouth. With a solid structure, the vintage reveals a length full of shimmering energy and smoothness. A distinguished Ducru-Beaucaillou with amazing finesse that will reveal further

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Deep purple-black in color, the 2017 Ducru-Beaucaillou slowly unfurls to reveal beautifully fragrant notes of warm kirsch, wild blueberries, fresh red and black currants and violets with wafts of underbrush and Earl Grey tea. Medium-bodied, the palate has great freshness and elegance, with very well-played, plush tannins and bags of perfumed fruit, finishing on a lingering spicy note. The wine was aged for 18 months in 100% new French oak barrels. The blend is 90% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Merlot.

