

Chateau Gravas

France - Bordeaux

Chateau Gravas is a family owned and operated winery, managed by husband and wife Michel and Florence Bernard. Founded in 1850, the estate is superbly located in Barsac, between Château Coutet, Château Climens and Château Doisy-Daëne. Six generations of Claverie and Bernard families have succeeded each other on the Gravas estate. They still have a beautiful stone press from the year 1900.

For several decades, the Gravas vineyard remained a modest 1 hectare vineyard, before reaching its current area of around 8 hectares in 1930. Today they produce Sauvignon, Semillon & Muscadelle, with an annual production of 2,000 cases.

The name "Gravas" comes from "graves", a gravelly soil (mixed with clay, sand and limestone) that perfectly suits the production of Sauternes wines. The 60 year-old vines are harvested by hand: the grapes are picked in successive passes. The wine is aged in both French and American oak barrels.