

CHATEAU D'ISSAN

MARGAUX



The scroll on the label reads in Latin *"For the table of the Kings, and the altar of the Gods"*

Located in the famous Margaux appellation, Château d'Issan can date its history to the 12th century when its wines were served at the marriage of Eleanor of Aquitaine to Henry Plantagent in 1152. Considered by many to be the most romantic in Bordeaux, the moated Château was built in the 17th century by Chevalier d'Essenault, from which the shortened name "d'Issan" is derived. In the 19th century the Château underwent extensive renovation and modernization and produced wines of such quality that it was listed as a Third Growth in the famous 1855 Classification. After a period of decline in the early 20th century the Cruse family purchased and restored the property, revealing the true potential of its terroir. In February 2013, 50% of the estate was purchased by Jacky Lorenzetti, who also owns Château Pédesclaux in Pauillac & Chateau Lilian Ladouys in Saint-Estèphe.

Château d'Issan meticulously vinifies its wine plot by plot, conserving the unique qualities given to the grapes by each individual microclimate within the vineyard. After vinification takes place, the blending or "assemblage" occurs during the end of December and the beginning of January. After blending, the wines are aged in French oak barrels for 18 months.

Generally, Château d'Issan wines are comprised of 65% Cabernet Sauvignon - 35% Merlot. Characterized by an opulent aromatic quality that is typical of the Margaux appellation, they possess an outstanding richness. The complex bouquet has notes of black currant, ripe black fruits and earth, with an expressive floral quality.



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