



**Ambassadeur de Graves**



## CHATEAU DE CÉRON

**GRAVES WHITE**

**2021**



A tightrope walker's balance, a goldsmith's precision, an angel's patience, steel nerves and an unwavering optimism were needed to hope to produce a few barrels this year.

The vintage begins with a month punctuated by nights spent fighting against the effects of frost. A fight that was successful depending on the parcels, the heart of the Graves was unfortunately well hit.

The incessant rainfall throughout May, the second half of June and the first half of July required constant attention to avoid mildew. The month of September offering us sunny and warm days followed by cool nights, allowed us to reach, step by step, a satisfactory maturity and a very rare vintage... but worthy of interest.

Worldwide wine that has made Bordeaux famous, 2021 is the vintage of reflections on the future.

### **Tasting comment:**

The nose is delicate, marked by aromas of fresh plums like the day after a summer rain. The mouth is fleshy, bursting with freshness, underlined by a soft minerality, with notes of citrus fruits and jasmine. This duality between the crystalline freshness of the Sauvignon Blanc and the enveloping roundness of the Semillon offers a wine of great balance.



### **Vineyard**

Blend: 50% Sémillon – 40% Sauvignon blanc – 10% Sauvignon Gris

Color: White

Appellation: Graves

Surface area: 30 hectares

Planting density: 6 600 vines / ha

Average vine age: 25 years

Geology: Mixed gravel soil with sand and small stones resting upon a subsoil of oceanic limestone.

Vineyard management: High Environmental value level 3, (HVE3),

SME et Iso 14001

Harvest: Handpicking and mechanical harvesting

### **Winemaking process**

Winemaking: Gentle pressing by stages, then fine and precise settling. Cold stalling for 1 to 7 days.

Fermentation in thermo-regulated stainless-steel vats. Stirring and racking.

Ageing: on the lees for 6 months in stainless-steel vats.

Bottling: at the Chateau.

Alcohol volume: 12.5%.



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### Press

*Yves Beck*

Très belle intensité du bouquet ! Il relève beaucoup de fraîcheur au travers de notes limes et de pamplemousse suivies d'une touche de poivres blanc. Le vin a du pep, une touche saline et une expression aromatique digne de l'intensité olfactive. La finale s'en retrouve étirée, allongée et rafraîchissante.

**YVES BECK. Note : 92-93**



Belles notes de pomelo, de poire, de fleurs blanches pour un Ch. de Cérons élégant et fruité. Agrumes à l'aération. Longue et ciselée, la bouche possède un bel équilibre acide avec de la fraîcheur et de l'énergie. Un très beau blanc, à la fois gourmand et possédant une capacité de garde.

**YOYAN CASTAING. Note : 90-92**

**JEB DUNNUCK**

**JEB DUNNUCK. Note : 91-93/100**



**BERNARD BURTSCHY. Note : 92-93/100**



A nose of crushed minerals, pine needle and saline energy here, with plenty of citrus-pith Sauvignon character. The palate is gently textured, lightly polished, with a sinewy and velvety middle, lightly griddled orchard fruits, peppery energy as well as a spindle of bright and almost granular acidity. This has a real sense of charm, with lovely freshness and vigour. Well done, this will drink very well from release.

**CHRIS KISSACK. Note : 90-92/100**



The de Cérons 2021 Blanc exhibits aromas of citrus zest, crisp orchard fruit and white flowers, followed by a medium to full-bodied, layered and incive palate. It's produced from vineyards in the Graves not far from Sauternes-Barsac that deliver a low pH style, and it's vinified without any oak.

**WILLIAM KELLEY. Note : 89-91/100**



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Leicht reduktive Nase, doch das ist eine Reduktion, die mir gefällt, öffnet sich mit Luft und zeigt... Im Gaumen saftig und mit knackiger Frucht, ungemein lebhaft, mit Struktur und Balance, exotische Früchte, Zitronen, salziger Abgang mit einem Tick Würze. Perfekt zu Seafood.

**ADRIAN VAN VELSEN. Note : 88-90/100**

JANE ANSON  
INSIDE BORDEAUX

Attrayant, séveux, belles saveurs d'agrumes, beaucoup de nuances, bonne matière avec une finale juteuse parsemée d'ardoise.

**JANE ANSON. Note : 89/100**

THE BUYER  
CONNECTING THE PREMIUM ON-TRADE

Château de Cérons is a 30-hectre estate in Graves and their 2021 Blanc was a showstopper. Saline tinged citrus fruit with apricot and lime. Impressive texture and poise. I always take it as a good sign when fellow winemakers crowd the table for a sample and tell me that their own cellars are stocked with this wine.

**SARAH MCCLEERY**

JAMES SUCKLING.COM

I like the purity of fruit here with green apples, grapefruit, kiwis and elderflowers. Bright and juicy with a medium body and lemony finish. 50% semillon, 40% sauvignon blanc and 10% sauvignon gris. Drink now.

**JAMES SUCKLING. Note : 90/100**



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