

Château Crabitey AOC Graves Red 2018

Château Crabitey, on Bordeaux's Left Bank in Graves, is known for its 27-hectare vineyard of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. Benefiting from deep Garonne gravel soils, the estate produces wines of remarkable depth and complexity under Arnaud de Butler's dedicated stewardship.



General Information

- **Producer:** Vignobles De Butler
- **Appellation:** AOC Graves, Bordeaux, France
- **Varietal Composition:** 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 50% Merlot
- **Vintage:** 2018
- **Alcohol Content:** 14%
- **Volume:** 750ml



Vineyard and Terroir

- **Location:** Left Bank, Graves, Bordeaux
- **Soil Type:** Deep Garonne gravel
- **Viticulture Practices:** Sustainable, with ploughing, shoot-thinning, and green harvesting.



Winemaking

- **Harvest:** Handpicked grapes.
- **Vinification:** Fermentation in stainless steel vats.
- **Aging:** 12 months in French oak barrels, one-third new.



Tasting Notes

- **Appearance:** Deep red with garnet tints
- **Aroma:** Ripe fruit with toasted and balsamic notes
- **Palate:** Rich, structured, with well-integrated tannins and a velvety finish.
- **Finish:** Elegant and smooth with a lingering finish that highlights the wine's fruitiness and structured tannins.



Food Pairing

- **Recommended Pairings:** Ideal with grilled meats, rich stews, and mature cheeses.



Sustainable Practices and Certifications

- Integrated farming and meticulous vineyard management.



Awards and Recognition

- Gold Medals from the Concours Mondial de Bruxelles
- Multiple stars from the Guide Hachette des Vins for several vintages.

Producer's Notes

Château Crabitey Graves Rouge 2018 exemplifies the dedication and expertise of Arnaud de Butler, who has revitalized the estate with sustainable practices and meticulous attention to detail. This vintage offers a harmonious blend of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon, delivering rich fruit flavors, well-integrated tannins, and a velvety, elegant finish—a true reflection of Graves' renowned terroir.