

# CHÂTEAU DE CARIGNAN

Cadillac Côtes de Bordeaux “L’Orangerie de Carignan”



## Winemaker

Christophe Maret

## Wine Region

Bordeaux

## Story

Château Carignan is found in the village of Carignan right near Bordeaux. Built in 1452 by Jean Poton de Xaintrailles, a comrade of Joan of Arc, it played a key role in the Castillon battle, ending the Hundred Years' War. Andy Lench purchased the estate in 2007, covering 150 hectares with 65 hectares classified in Cadillac Côtes de Bordeaux. The estate follows sustainable practices. “L’Orangerie” refers to the Château’s orangery.

## Vineyard

The property spans 28 hectares (69 acres) and features vines with an average age of 10 to 15 years. The vineyard faces South-Southwest and sits at an elevation of 50 meters (164 feet) above sea level. The terrain is characterized by clay and limestone, layered with stony gravel.

## Vinification

The grapes are harvested mechanically and completely destemmed. Prior to fermentation, a cold maceration process of 24-48 hours is employed. Fermentation takes place in temperature-controlled stainless-steel and concrete tanks over a period of 5-7 days. During this time, maceration techniques involve 2 pump-overs and 1 plunging every day. A pneumatic press is utilized, and the wine is aged for 18 months in stainless steel tanks.

## Tasting Notes

Deep purple color in the glass. The nose is of ripe red fruits such as currants and plum. The palate is medium body with chewy tannins and a long finish.

## Food Pairing

This wine is ideal as an aperitif or with grilled meal, mushrooms pasta or a savoury pie.

## QUICK FACTS

### Variety

60% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Cabernet Franc.

### Aging

Stainless Steel Tank & Concrete Tanks.

