

MARY TAYLOR WINE

Importer of the Year Nominee

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“Excellent Values” -The New York Times

“[Her] intent of access for the consumer, alongside the elevation of the producer’s work, makes Taylor’s vision important for the future of wine; it acknowledges natural wine’s shortcomings for folks who aren’t in the cool crowd and those whose wallets are thinner.” -Punch 2021

FABIEN CASTAING

The Perigord IGP covers the stunningly romantic departments in western France, the Dordogne and the Lot. The vineyards at Fabien Castaing’s family estate roll along the transitional hills of Aquitaine, which is segmented by rivers and tributaries on the way out to the Atlantic. Perigord is further separated into four areas, called Noir, for its truffles; Vert, for its forests; Blanc, for its quarries, and Pourpre, for its viticulture. Many grape varieties are permitted in Perigord, however the wines are predominately comprised of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Semillon assemblages, much like the overarching Bordeaux region. The soils also share notable resemblance to Bordeaux, and Gironde, specifically, being made up of sand, clay, and boulders, ideal for drainage and pH for the vines. In the Perigord region, Nature seems to work in concert with the growing season. Regular rains taper off throughout the early summer, the summer is hot and relatively dry to provide ample energy for photosynthesis in the brightest months, and dry conditions right until harvest condition the vines to produce concentrated, ripe fruit. Then the fields are refreshed in the late months, reconstituting the soils with winter rain showers. Aligning with MTW’s focus on ethical farming and minimal intervention Vignobles Fabien Castaing was among the first winemaker members to join ‘Produit en Nouvelle – Aquitaine’ project, which is dedicated to providing local and responsible products from both a social and environmental point of view. The vineyards have been certified organic since 2000 and HVE 3 since 2013.



2024 Perigord

90% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon. Aged in concrete tanks. Very reminiscent of a Right Bank Bordeaux. Concrete aging lends a velvety texture to the wine, and rich red and dark fruits meet a hint of spice and just the right amount of tannic structure make for a perfectly balanced wine appropriate for practically all occasions and meals.