

# CHATEAU D'AIGUILHE

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## Vineyard

**Terroir:** Clay-limestone.

**Vineyard area currently in production:** 90 hectares (222,4 acres).

**Grape varieties:** 80% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Franc.

**Average age of the vines:** 28 years.

## Winemaking

**Harvesting:** By hand, into small crates to avoid bruising.  
Sorting before and after destemming.  
No crushing. The grapes are put into vats by gravity flow.

**Fermentation:** In temperature-controlled wooden and concrete vats for 25-30 days depending on the vintage.  
Extraction by pneumatic pigeage (punching down the cap).

**Malolactic fermentation and ageing:** In new oak barrels (up to 50%) on fine lees.  
Finishing and filtering as necessary, depending on the vintage.

**Duration of barrel ageing:** 15-18 months.

## Sales

Via the Bordeaux wine trade.



Vignobles Comtes von Neipperg