



# TECHNICAL SHEET

## CHATEAU DE MERCUES, LES EVEQUES

### WINE CHARACTERISTICS

<b>VARIETALS:</b> 90 % Malbec, 10% Merlot	<b>COLOUR:</b> Red	<b>WINE REGION:</b> Occitanie
<b>GEOGRAPHICAL NAME:</b> A.O.P Cahors	<b>DEGREE (%) :</b> 14,5%	
<b>FORMAT:</b> 75 cl	<b>CERTIFICATION:</b> HVE 	<b>AGING POTENTIAL:</b> 10 to 15 years

### ABOUT THE VINEYARD

From its vertiginous cliff, the Château de Mercuès, built more than 800 years ago, overlooks the Lot and dazzles with its beauty. Once the summer residence of the Counts-Bishops, it became one of the first Relais & Châteaux in France. The 36 hectares of vineyards now offer a Cahors Malbec of excellence, as if it was sacred. On the terraces of the valley, the grapes are adorned with purple accents and velvety nuances.

### TERROIR

The vineyard is planted on a very ancient alluvial soil mainly composed of pebbles and silty-clay. The vines are located on the third Terrace of Cahors' Valley. Its density is particularly high with 6 666 vines per hectare, which is 65% more than the local average.

### VINIFICATION AND MATURATION

Parcel selection.

Pre-fermentation maceration, long pumping over.

Aged for 12 months in 400L barrels for 40% of the volume. 60% of the volume is aged in stainless steel tanks to preserve the freshness and fruit.

### TASTING NOTES

*This emblematic cuvée finds the right balance between the concentration of a malbec and the sweetness of the fruit.*

