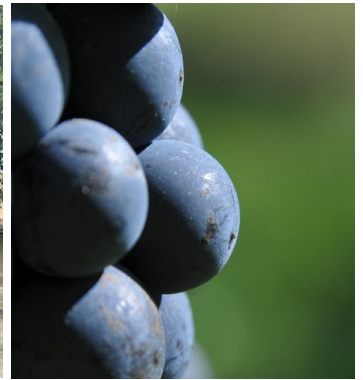




Benoît Dubourg, winemaker



## CHATEAU NICOT 2020 AOP Bordeaux

### — Background —

Situated on the right bank of the River Garonne, a little under 22 miles south of Bordeaux, Château Nicot has enjoyed an enviable reputation for over two hundred years. For over two centuries, the Dubourg Vineyards have been a family farm. Each generation has developed the company as regards the vineyard area as well as the level of marketing. The 1960s marked the arrival of Bernard and his wife Nadine, the 7th generation of the Dubourg family. They brought a new breath of fresh air to the management of the property, modernizing the winemaking techniques while preserving the identity of each wine. In 1985, Château Haut-Pasquet, a neighboring property to Château Nicot, joined the estate. Nourishing a dream, they also acquired vineyards in the prestigious appellations of Saint Emilion Grand Cru and Sauternes. Château Maurins and Château Landion were added to the range of wines produced by Dubourg Vineyards. In charge of the cellars (cellar master) and the vineyards (vineyard manager), he manages the 83 hectares of the property spread over 9 appellations, and directs the conception of the 465,000 bottles that leave the cellars each year.

### — Viticulture —

- **33% Cabernet Sauvignon, 66% Merlot**
- This parcel is located on 15 ha (37 acres) of a terroir composed of limestone and clay.
- Average age of vines: 25 years
- Single Guyot pruning
- Mechanical harvesting
- Yield : 55 hectoliters per hectare

### — Winemaking —

- Traditional vinification with maceration by cold pre-fermentation, crushing, and temperature control by thermo-regulation for 2-3 weeks.
- Maturing : Stainless steel tanks
- Regular pumping overs.
- Production: 10,000 cases.

### — Tasting Notes —

*With a dark ruby color, this wine is soft, expressing great flexibility and elegance, with fruity notes that recall ripe grapes. In short, a wine to accompany any meal happily. Is a fine accompaniment for grilled red meats.*

