# CHÂTEAU DAUZAC MARGAUX

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# WINE SPECIFICATION SHEET CHÂTEAU DAUZAC 2004 VINTAGE

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## CHÂTEAU DAUZAC 2004 VINTAGE

A wealth of tannins and infinite suppleness make this wine an exquisite enigma. Powerful and delicate at the same time, Dauzac wine never cheats, always astonishes and ages marvelously.



Appellation: Margaux Château: Château Dauzac

Production area: 42 hectares / 104 acres

Soil type: Deep gravel

Rootstock: 101-14, Riparia Gloire

and 3309

Fertilizer: Organic fertilizer Planting density: 10,000 vines

per hectare

Average vine age: 25-30 years Grape varieties on the property: Merlot 60% / Cabernet Sauvignon 40% Pruning system: "Guyot double" pruning with disbudding

Harvest: By hand in small crates then sorted on tables before and after

de-stemming

Fermentation: Fermenting room supplied by gravity-fed wine shed. Fermentation in thermo-regulated, stainless steel vats with a patented cap crumbling system

Fermentation temperature: 27°C /

80.6°F

Malolactic: Yes

Aging: 15 months in barrels (50-80% new depending on the vintage) with racking based on tasting results

Fining: With egg white

Aging potential: Peak expression between 5 and 10 years, to be aged for 15 to 25 years

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Wine style: Rich and powerful Weather: This vintage follows a 2003 that brought a small harvest due to drought and high summer temperatures. In 2004, flowering brought surprising blossom fertility and grape size. The bud break began in April, but the vegetation did not develop due to the rain and cold. The month of July saw good sunshine and sparse rain, but a fairly normal temperature, save for a few spikes up to 32°C / 89.6°F at the end of the month. On the contrary, August brought heavy rainfall with little sunshine and fairly low temperatures. September was satisfactory with a good amount of sunshine and cool nights, which prevented any rot from setting in. The harvests began on September 24 and finished on October 16.

Blend: Cabernet Sauvignon 52%, Merlot 48%

Consulting enologist: Eric Boissenot

#### TASTING NOTES

Appearance: Dark, deep, garnet red—an intense color

Nose: An intense nose with notes of ripe fruit, cherry and a touch of violet. Spicy, grilled, toasty and chocolate notes are also present.

Mouth-feel: The attack is well rounded and smooth—this wine is supple and powerful. Flattering aromas such as prune are already emerging. The aromas in the nose are equally present on the palate: grilled, toasted, as well as red and black fruit notes. This is a warm and complex wine that is appreciated in its long-lasting finish. To be enjoyed now and for the next 10 years, even more so for those who appreciate mature wines.

### **RECOMMENDED FOR:** 2012-2020

#### **OUR SUGGESTIONS:**

- White meat; pigeon
- Game
- Grilled red meat
- Cheese