

**Château Venus** is a family estate located in the heart of the Graves. The vineyard stretches on 8.5 hectares planted with red grape varieties: 70 % of Merlot and 30 % of Cabernet Sauvignon. The vines are worked using sustainable farming techniques, The soils are ploughed and natural organic manure is used.

Bordeaux vintage 2018: The harvest was shorted by 30% but this year due to the mildew pressure. There were a lot of rains during the spring, the soil was humid for a long period and the weather was warm, perfect for the spread of the rot. Merlot plots were the most affected. After this difficult spring, the vintage took a 180° turn with a magnificent summer, no rain through July and August; the remaining grapes were in perfect conditions and had a good maturity. Despite the 30% harvest loss, 2018 remain a good Vintage in Bordeaux, thanks to the warm and dry summer.



## Château Vénus Tradition 2018

**Appellation:** Bordeaux Graves Rouge

Terroir: gravels, deep gravels, sand

About the vines

Grape varieties: 70 % merlot, 30 % cabernet sauvignon

Pruning: simple guyot

Vine age: 20

Surface: 8,5 hectares

Density: 5 500 vine-plants / hectare

Yield: 49 hl/ha

Vine-growing

Plowing (no chemical products)

Disbudding, green harvest and thinning out done manually

Winemaking

Cold macerations, fermentations in stainless steel tanks with temperature control. 12 months in new barrels (20%) and barrels of one wine (French oak)

Tasting notes

Slightly spicy bouquet which develops aroma of black and red stewed fruits, mocha and chocolate. Rounded tannins, silky with a long persistence on the palate.

Suggested food pairing: game, barbecued meat, dessert with chocolate

Ageing potential: 10 years