

# Château la Sauvageonne 'Pica Broca', Gérard Bertrand, Terrasses du Larzac 2018



A stylish wine packed with aromas of blackberry jam, spices and subtle notes of garrigue herbs, smooth and intense.

## Producer Note

Gérard Bertrand is one of the most outstanding winemakers in the South of France. A biodynamic pioneer, he owns numerous estates among the most prestigious crus of Languedoc-Roussillon. Formerly the IWC Red Winemaker of the Year and winner of Wine Enthusiast's European Winery of the Year, Gérard has been cited as the "King of the Languedoc" among critics. Acquired in November 2011, Château la Sauvageonne is located northwest of Montpellier. With a long winemaking history, this Château is a legendary site. The combination of its orientation, its situation on the Larzac terraces at 300 metres altitude and the exceptional volcanic terroir, produces stunning wines of unique character.

## Vineyard

Château la Sauvageonne is in a legendary location. It has an exceptional exposure, situation and terroir, which when combined together impart a unique character to the wines. Located in the Terrasses du Larzac appellation, in the central and northern areas of the Hérault department, it backs onto the uplands of the Causse du Larzac. The climate here is subject to diurnal temperature swings, with the distance from the sea and the proximity of the Causse lending a certain coolness to the summer nights; which is beneficial for a slow and progressive ripening process. The vineyard soils are made up of Ruffes, sandstone and schist.

## Winemaking

The grapes were hand-harvested at optimum polyphenolic ripeness, and then meticulously sorted before being transferred to temperature controlled vats. Only the ripe, healthy grapes were selected in order to maintain the high quality. The two varieties were destemmed and vinified separately. Maceration lasted approximately 20 to 25 days. The wines were then transferred to new 225 litre barrels, where they matured for 12 to 16 months.

## Tasting Note

The bouquet is characterised by aromas of the garrigue, black fruits and spice, with subtle notes of gingerbread. On the palate the cuvée Pica Broca shows fine, elegant tannins and is well-balanced with a pleasing liveliness on the finish.

## Grape

Syrah 70%, Grenache 30%



Winemaker:	Gérard Bertrand
Region:	Languedoc-Roussillon
Sub region:	Terrasses du Larzac
Country:	France
Alcohol:	15.5%
Body Value:	D (A is light, E is full bodied)
Residual Sugar:	2.9
Contains Sulphites:	Yes
Vegetarian/Vegan:	No/No
Milk/Eggs:	No/No
Organic/Biodynamic	No/Yes
Product Code:	5697018A
Case unit of measure:	6X75CL
Formats Available:	75cl
Closure:	Natural Cork