



Appellation : Saint-Émilion Grand Cru Owner : 1978 Jean-François Janoueix Vineyard area : 9 hectares Grapes : 70 % Merlot, 20 % Cabernet Franc, 10 % Cabernet Sauvignon Barrels: 45 (4500 cases)

**A bit of history** : Henri IV, once compelled to stay overnight on this land, was given such a warm welcome that he allowed his host to build a small modern Château called "Castelot" in lieu of the old house. The domain is located nearby three Grands Crus Classes: Chateau Tertre Daugay, Fonplegade and La Madeleine.

**Nature of the soil:** siliceous on a gravely iron based sub-soil, perfect for longevity of the wines.

**Grapes:** 70 % Merlot for the roudness, 20 % Cabernet Franc for elegance, 10 % Cabernet Sauvignon for the structure

**The harvest**: using small crates, the grapes are picked and sorted by hand by 120 grape-pickers.

"No doubt Henry IV would have appreciated the purple robe of Castelot, the flavor as long as a regal procession, a royal guard of mild spices, vanilla, ripe fruit and new leather, devilishly harmonious and lively on the palate, with rounded tannins and a wonderfully lingering finish... in a few words, the perfect wine for a King". Guy Carriere, Thuries Magazine.

Château Le Castelot received the Trophy of Honneurs de la ville de Saint-Emilion. Its name has been given by Henry IV en 1578.