



CHATEAU

FLEUR CARDINALE

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ

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ÉDITION HARD ROCK

FAMILLE D. DECOSTER, VIGNERONS





## EDITION HARD-ROCK

« THE 2018 WILL ROCK YOU HARD »

«At Château Fleur Cardinale, the character of the wine is all about contrast. Each vintage offers naturally powerful and generous wines that are counterbalanced by fine, elegant tannins; and while the mouth-feel is suave and velvety, the palate is underpinned by lovely freshness.»

It is in this spirit that Caroline and Ludovic Decoster imagined **a series of collector's editions** which each year will display a new take on the Château Fleur Cardinale label reflecting different contrasting themes, while preserving the identity codes of the original label.

### « A CONTRASTING LABEL... FOR A CONTRASTING WINE »

This first edition, which was launched with the Château Fleur Cardinale 2018 vintage, powers us into **the high-energy world of hard-rock**. Fans of hard-rock music will be amused to find the graphics specific to this world, skilfully integrated into the original coat of arms. As for wine lovers, they'll be able to connect **the energy given off in the flamboyant graphics of the label** with the powerful, fresh and intense flavours of the vintage.

Only **1,000 magnums** have been packaged with this unique, hand-numbered label, packed in especially screen-printed single wooden cases.

This collector's edition adheres to the DNA of Château Fleur Cardinale. **Caroline and Ludovic want the dynamism and boldness of their ideas to showcase in an enthusiastic and original way the very high quality of their wines.**

« **Rock'n'roll and wine are similar in that they both capture for posterity a concoction of ingredients inspired by a story that commands attention and releases emotions. »**

Caroline and Ludovic Decoster



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# TECHNICAL SHEET

**Appellation :** Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

**Classification :** Grand Cru Classé

**First vintage of the family :** 2001

**Surface area :** 21,5 hectares (53 acres)

**Density of plantation :**

6,225 vines per hectare for the old vines;

8,333 vines per hectare for plots planted since 2004.

**Soil types :** Clay-limestone.

7 types of soil and sub-soil :

- Brunisolic coming from Fronsac molasse,
- Calcisols coming from Fronsac molasse,
- Calcisols coming from Agen molasse,
- Calcosol coming from Fronsac molasse,
- Calcosol over asteria limestone,
- Calcosol coming from green clay with limestone nodules,
- Limestone colluviosols.

**Grape varieties :**

76 % merlot,

18 % cabernet franc,

6 % cabernet sauvignon.

**Potential 2018 blend :** 70 % Merlot ;

25% Cabernet Franc ; 5 % Cabernet Sauvignon

**Fermentation :** 28 days

**Ageing :** 100% in new barrels for the first wine/ 50% in new barrels for the second wine

**Ageing time :** 13 months

**Potential alcoholic degrees :** 14,5 % VOL

**Production :** 120 000 bottles for the first wine  
and 12 000 bottles for the second wine

**Environmental certification :**

The château is registered as part of the Environmental Management System programme (SME) for Bordeaux wines and has had High Environmental Value certification Level 3 since 2016.





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