



DOMAINES AURIOL

PAR CLAUDE VIALADE ET FILS

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BELLES DU SUD

Merlot

- **Producer:** Claude Vialade
- **Appellation:** IGP Pays d'Occ
- **Origin:** Occitania



Varietal range: 100% Merlot.



Soil types: The vineyards are located on the high terraces bordering the Mediterranean coastline around Béziers. They benefit from a Mediterranean climate mitigated by elevation and aspect, which promotes development of aromas in the grapes during ripening, producing a range of wines with varied profiles.



Vineyard management: Great importance is given to vineyard management and the health of the fruit. The vines are trained using the Cordon de Royat system.



Winemaking: The grapes are harvested by machine based on strict vineyard selection, taking into account the ripeness of each plot. They are entirely destemmed before fermentation, then fermented in lined tanks with particular attention paid to fermentation temperatures. Daily pumping over is used. Racking occurs before the end of fermentation so that it finishes in the liquid phase, producing fine tannins and good fruitiness.



Tasting notes: Garnet-hued with purple-blue tints. Nose of fresh cherry and strawberry, blackberry and spices, coupled with a faint herbal backbone typical of the varietal. Enjoyable on the palate with fine tannins.

Drink preferably over the first few years after bottling. Will mature well for 3 to 4 years.

Drinking temperature: 16°C.



Food pairings: Perfect for pairing with smoked pork meats, roast and grilled meats, vegetables au gratin and mild cheeses. It also drinks well on its own, whilst reading a good book or chatting with friends.



Logistics

Bottle

- Type: Bordeaux Impulsion screwcap
- Height: 29.95 cm
- Weight: 1.20 kg
- EAN barcode: 3569401003760

Box

- Size: 23.3 x 15.7 x 30.5 cm
- Weight: 7.34 kg
- SU/Box: 6 without dividers
- EAN barcode: 3569408003763 (vintage 2018)

Layer

- Number of boxes: 25
- SU/Layer: 25 x 6 = 150

Pallet

- Size: 120 x 80 x 136.5 cm
- Weight: 756 Kg
- Number of layers: 4
- Boxes/Pallet: 4 x 25 = 100
- SU/Pallet: 100 x 6 = 600