

Marie Plaisance Bergerac Rouge

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: France

REGION: South West France

APPELLATION: Bergerac

THE STORY

In 2005 Thomas, François and Anne Mériller took over the direction of their parents' domaine in the heart of Bergerac. They are the 5th generation to run the family farm, and their commitment was such that they re-christened it Château Marie Plaisance—after their mother, Marie, and the surrounding hillsides where their vineyards grow, les coteaux de Plaisance. Their parents had significantly revamped the winery in the 1990s. The 3 siblings built upon this by moving the domaine to organic farming, starting the certification process in 2010. The domaine lies due east of Bordeaux and Libourne, just south of the Dordogne River. This is the Périgord region, an ancient countryside where much of the 100 Years' War played out and that has supported the vine since the Roman occupation.

