Cave de Crouseilles `Les Hautains` Pacherenc du Vic Bilh Sweet Organic Wine 2021



Region

The terroir across the Côtes de Gascogne area is transitional, with the maritime effect of the Atlantic ocean giving way to a more continental climate in the east of Gers. In the east, summers are warmer and drier, and the clay limestone soils retain water more effectively. Nearer the coast, loose, sandy soils with good drainage and high rainfall characterize the vineyards. The wines of Gascogny provide reliable, fresh whites from a combination of Ugni Blanc, Colombard, Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay, and assertive, mineral rich reds from a base of Tannat.

Producer

In 1979, three wine cellars in the towns of Plaisance, Aignan and Saint Mont, combined their forces and their initials (PL for Plaisance, AI for Aignan and Mont for Saint-Mont) to create a union of cooperatives, which became Plaimont in Saint-Mont, in the Gers. Another major wine cellar, Condom (the Côtes de Gascogne and Côtes du Condomois PGIs) joined them in 1999. Located in the heart of South-West France, Plaimont`s vineyards stretch out over a uniquely rich terroir from the foothills of the Pyrenees to the rolling hills of Gascony.

Tasting Notes

This is a sweet wine from the Pyrenean foothills. Pacherenc du Vic Bilh wines are late-harvest Gros Manseng, Petit Manseng and Petit Courbu grapes, where the sugars are concentrated from being left to dry on the vine. This wine is a beautiful golden colour with fruity aromas such as pineapple, candied fruits, yellow peaches, pears and lemon. The palate has a silky mouthfeel with opulent ripe fruits complemented by a fresh acidity which stops the sweetness from being cloying.

Food

Pairs well with blue cheeses or with slightly sharp puddings such as lemon tart.

Technical Information

Country	France
Region	South West - Gascogne
Grape(s)	Petit Manseng (55%) Gros Manseng (30%) Petit Courbu (15%)
Type	Sweet
Style	Luxurious
Oaked Style	Unoaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	Yes-certified sustainable

Dry/Sweet Style	Dry
Alcohol Content	12%
Closure Style	Cork
Organic/Biodynamic	Organic certified
Allergens	**Milk:** No **Egg:** No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:** Yes **Vegan:** Yes

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