## Vignobles Lassagne

## France - Bordeaux

Vignobles Lassagne is owned by Nicolas Lassagne and his wife Sabrina. It encompasses three properties, beginning with Chateau des Arnauds, which was founded 1952 by Paul Lassagne, Nicolas' grandfather. He started with only 2 hectares and grew to 7 hectares. In 1979. Nicolas' father Daniel joined the winery and bought more vineyards surrounding the cellar, increasing acreage to 29 hectares. Nicolas came on board in 2001, continuing family traditions and bringing his own expertise to his role of winemaker. With the acquisition of Chateau Maltus in 2015, Vignobles Lassagne now has 32 hectares (80 acres) of vineyards. Vineyards are planted with Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc.

Vignobles Lassagne encompasses these three properties:

- Château des Arnauds (the original estate): this small 2-hectare estate is planted to 100% Merlot in the Bordeaux AOC. The soil has a little more gravel, perfect for this grape varietal, giving some flinty, mineral, ripe clean fruit flavors. The vineyards are located just north of the Chateau des Landes, in the commune of Abzac, and it is planted with a perfect south sun exposure. The vine density is 5,500 plants per hectares and the average age of the vines is 20 years old. The maximum yield allowed is 55 hl/ha.
- Chateau des Landes: this property in the Lussac Saint Emilion AOC represents the majority of the vineyards owned by the Lassagne Family (27 hectares). It is planted with 85% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon and 5% Cabernet Franc. The soil is limestone and clay. The vine density is 5,500 plants per hectare and the average age of the vines is 30 years old. Maximum yield allowed is 55 hl/ha.
- Chateau Maltus: this is the latest addition to the Vignobles
  Lassagne. It represents 3 hectares located in the Lalande de
  Pomerol AOC.

