

# Château Coutelin Merville

## Saint Estèphe Cru Bourgeois

*A rich and full wine, with oodles of fruit, spices and slightly woody mellow tannins.  
Very good for ageing.  
To drink with red roasted meats, game and strong cheeses.*

**LOCATION:** Saint-Estèphe on the mountaintop of the city. Some parcels are near Ch Haut Marbuzet and Tour de Pez. Estate owned by Bernard Estager, very good winegrower who increasingly improves the wine.

**VINEYARD AREA:** 25 hectares.

**SOIL:** Clayey and calcareous slopes.

**GRAPE VARIETIES:** 50% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petit Verdot

**HARVESTING:** Hand picking at full ripeness.

**WINEMAKING:** Traditional methods in thermo regulated cement vats with long vatting (21 days).

**AGEING:** From 12 to 18 months in oak barrels of which 30% is new from the vintage 2014.

**PRODUCTION:** About 110000 bottles per year.

