

## MARITIME

WINE TASTING STUDIO



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## Chateau Saint Eulalie "La Cantilène" Minervois La Livinière 2016

Château Ste. Eulalie is located in the Minervois region of France's Languedoc. Long regarded as the finest section of Minervois, La Livinière has now been recognized as an official "Cru de Languedoc" and is entitled to its own appellation. The stony soil of clay and limestone is planted with Syrah, Grenache, Carignan and Cinsault, with an average age of 25 years. The domaine also includes some century-old Carignan vines and 70 year-old Grenache. Viticulture is organic and is Certified Sustainable. La Cantilène is the signature cuvee of the Ste. Eulalie, named in honor of the Canticle of Ste. Eulalie, the oldest known poem in the French language. "La Cantilène" has won numerous medals and is frequently reviewed among the leading wines of the Languedoc region.

**Variety:** Blend of Syrah, Carignan, and Grenache

**Tasting notes:** Intense garnet color. A dark fruit aromas with toasty notes. Ample palate, full and soft, ripe tannins, layered palate. Ripe, lingering finish. A rich and fleshy wine with an elegant, claretlike balance.



## Château Armandière Cahors "Malbec Ancestral" 2017

Many mistake Argentina for the birthplace of Malbec, although it is an indigenous grape of Cahors located in Southwest France. Château Armandière is owned by fourth generation vigneron Bernard Bouyssou. He uses a combination of modern techniques and traditional sensibility to make a range of wines of different character. The wines of Château Armandière are rich and powerful yet supple, enjoyable with a wide variety of foods, from simple chicken or beef on the grill to heartier soups and stews, roasts and game with sauces made with mushrooms and truffles. The grapes are grown in the sandy clay soil of the first terrace along the Lot River.

**Varieties:** 100% Malbec

**Tasting notes:** With its shiny color, this wine has a generous fresh nose with ripe red and black fruit aromas. In the mouth, tannins reveal a smooth texture with notes of spices, blackberries and cherries. Intense and well balanced.

