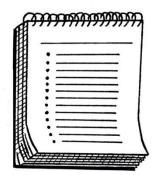


## 2017 Château Veyry



	Red		
	2017	2	Environmentally considerate farmer
I W	Black fruit, vanilla		
	Rapsberry & sweet spice	(I)	Very complex
	18 months in barrel – 60% new		Ready to drink now, drink within 15 years
	Castillon, Bordeaux		
	Merlot, Cab Franc		
	Everything	%	14.5%

Christian Veyry has a micro winery a stone's throw from Saint-Emilion, in the neighbouring AOP of Castillon, Côtes de Bordeaux. His 'day job' is a wine consultant/oenologist helping Michel Rolland advise clients mostly in and around Saint-Emilion and Pomerol. Christian's knowledge is extraordinary and I have and continue to learn a huge amount from him.



The magic of the winery. Christian's attention to detail at every stage of the winemaking process is impressive and almost obsessive. His view is that tip-top quality, healthy grapes with rich phenolic structure leads to more complex flavours in the wines. Higher alcohol means more layers – it is true but there is a fine line. Get the alcohol level wrong and the wine tastes out of balance. He always gets it right.

So I helped make this wine (hence the self-indulgent blurb on the back label). Inevitably this is an outstanding wine! Rich, layered with powerful black fruit, sweet spice, liquorice, floral, minty characteristics. Ripe and powerful tannins, coconut and chocolate.