## CHÂTEAU LINOT SAINT-ESTÈPHE

Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. A fresh bouquet dominated by red and black fruits, enhanced by wellintegrated toasty notes. Fruity flavors of redcurrant and blackberry with hints of vanilla, toast, and tobacco. Full bodied, velvety, supple, and dry. Soft tannins support a lingering finish. A great accompaniment to many full-flavored dishes.

The plots of Château Linot are in prime locations in Saint-Estèphe and made up of a high proportion of old vines. Its hillside plots are located at the heart of the Cos plateau, benefiting from a remarkable amount of sunshine and drainage. The terroir is gravel soil and a subsoil made up of clay. Grapes are harvested by hand into crates at optimum maturity, then sorted and destemmed by hand. The berries are then sorted again to keep only the best. Fermentation in stainless steel tanks.

Upon the death of his grandfather in 2009, Yohan Juste took over his micro-property in Saint-Estèphe. The property was rich in old vines and diverse grape varieties. Continuing the work of his grandfather, he named the estate to honor the days he came as a child to observe the linnets (small songbirds of the finch family from the north of Médoc.) Carpentry being his first trade, he transformed the old

stable into a thermo-regulated cellar and began making his high-quality Saint-Estèphe. He produced barely two barrels a year until 2014 when he enlarged the vineyard with 50 neighboring acres, rented from his uncle. Château Linot is a family business with organic farming in its sights.

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## Tasting Note:

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