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2013 CHATEAU DE SOURS BLANC

WINEMAKER:	Valérie Valmy
REGION:	Bordeaux, France
VARIETALS:	Sauvignon Blanc (85%), Semillon (10%), Sauvignon Gris (5%)
MATURATION:	60% in older French oak barrels
ANALYSIS:	12.5% alc/vol

VINTAGE:

2013 was difficult in Bordeaux. A cold, wet winter persisted into spring and flowering was heavily delayed and fruit set was low. July was hot which saw ripening catch up. The estate vineyards were largely untouched by a devastating hail storm in early August. When the time came to pick, an unprecedented number of vendagers were deployed. Overall one of the most challenging vintages in living memory, 2013 saw high labor costs and very low yields but excellent flavor concentration.

WINEMAKING:

The grapes were hand harvested from older vines on the estate's twelve acre vineyard during the cool early mornings in early September. 60% of the wine was fermented in older French oak barrels and 40% underwent fermentation in stainless steel tanks.

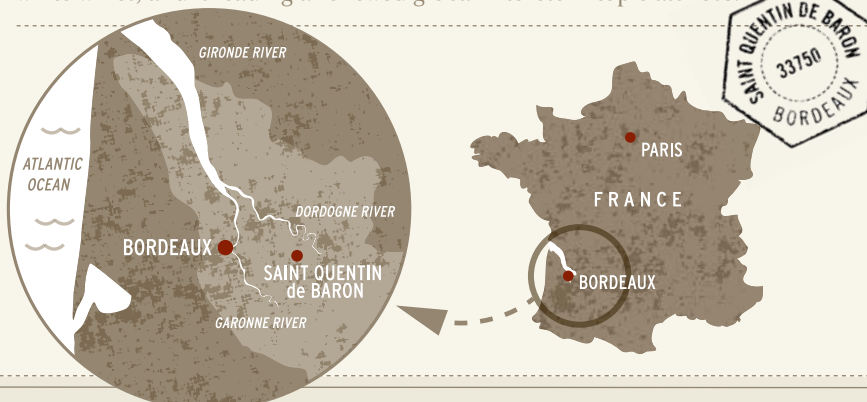
TASTING NOTES:

A wonderfully fresh wine of a pale green, almost silver, color with enticing aromas of lime, pineapple, white peaches, licorice and intense smoky and mineral notes from the limestone plateau. On the palate there is a crispy attack of well balanced acidity with nicely integrated oak textured roundness and a touch of vanilla to balance the lemony freshness and a long dry finish.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: Not yet reviewed.

ABOUT CHÂTEAU DE SOURS:

Situated high up on a commanding limestone plateau just to the south-west of Pomerol and facing St. Emilion, Château de Sours has been producing wine for more than 200 years. Dating back to the 14th century, it originally served as an inn on the St. Jacques de Compostelle pilgrimage route to Spain. The current house was built in 1792, and has since been renovated and restored to its former glory by proprietors Martin and Nicolette Krajewski. Under their leadership, Château de Sours has undergone a massive refurbishment, blending the region's traditional rigor and craftsmanship with modern innovations. Château de Sours is producing some of Bordeaux's most respected red and white wines, and is leading a renewed global interest in top class rosé.



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