



Appellations

- Barsac
- Cérons
- Graves
- Graves Supérieures
- Pessac-Léognan
- Sauternes

The Graves Road



The region

This region stretches from the south of Bordeaux to Langon, to the west of the Garonne down to the fringes of the vast Landes pine forest which acts as a natural protection. The wines of this region can be characterised by their diversity and their prestige. The reds are both powerful and full-bodied, the dry whites elegant and delicate, the sweet whites opulent and luscious. They all gain even greater finesse and distinction with the passing years.

The dry white wines of the Pessac-Léognan appellation and the sweet whites from Barsac and Sauternes are the only white wines to be classified among all the Bordeaux vineyards.



Dune du Pyla



The Wine Houses

- Graves**
61, cours du Maréchal Foch
RN 113 - B.P. 51
33720 Podensac
Tel. 33 (0)5 56 27 09 25
- Barsac**
Place de l'Église
33720 Barsac
Tel. 33 (0)5 56 27 15 44
- Sauternes**
13, place de la Mairie
33210 Sauternes
Tel. 33 (0)5 56 76 69 83

- Informations Pessac-Léognan**
1, cours du XXX-juillet
33000 Bordeaux
Tel. 33 (0)5 56 00 21 90
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E-mail : pessac-leognan@aquinet.net

Tourist office

- Langon**
11, allée Jean Jaurès
33210 Langon
Tel. 33 (0)5 56 63 68 00
- Sauternes**
11, rue Principale
33210 Sauternes
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Other information

The Water Tower and Belvedere at Podensac, built by Le Corbusier, are well worth a visit, as a striking architectural curiosity.

Your itinerary

To visit the wine châteaux and for further information, go to the Wine Houses of the appellations (see opposite).

From the outskirts of Bordeaux, take the direction of Talence, Pessac and then head south towards Léognan and Martillac along the D109 to discover the heart of the

prestigious appellation of Pessac-Léognan, with its classified growths of red and white wines.

Continue on to La Brède to visit the château of Montesquieu, on the fringe of the Landes forest. Continue on the N113 to drive through the Graves appellation, the ancestor of Bordeaux's vineyards, with its fine, aromatic red wines and elegant, full-bodied whites. Discover the inimitable bouquet of the semi-sweet white wines of the Graves Supérieures. At

Podensac, the Graves House of Wine will be happy to provide you with further details on the vineyards and region.

Continue on towards Cérons, Barsac and Sauternes, appellations renowned for their sweet white wines. Several châteaux offer luxury guest rooms for a peaceful stay on the respective estates; in their superb, bucolic environment.



Did you know?

Proof of the extraordinarily low yield of the Sauternes region is that it produces no more than one glass of wine per vine.