



# LA BÊTE NOIRE

## Southwest, France

Located in the southwest of France, the wines from Cahors have been famous in Europe since the Roman Empire: legend has it that at that time, they put the wines being produced in Italy to shame, and so in 92 A.D., Emperor Domitien ordered that the vines in Cahors be pulled up in order to eliminate competition for Roman vineyards!

The Château Haute-Théron was built after the French Revolution in 1789, in the hills overlooking the Lot Valley. The seventy-four acres of vineyards, planted entirely to Malbec (Cot), have a southern exposure with limestone soils; some of the vines here are over thirty-five years old.

This wine is produced under the Sustainable Agriculture Policy.



### Cahors 2016 12/750ml

100% Malbec (which is significant because the vast majority of Cahors is cut with Merlot or Tannat). A powerful French “country” red from thirty-year-old vines grown in chalk-rich clay soils on a limestone substrate in the Lot Valley in Cahors, the ancestral home of the Malbec grape. Nicely full and tarry with mint highlights, terrific juiciness and no oak in sight. A huge value in a full-bodied red.

### Technical Specifications

**Product Type:** Red Wine

**Appellation:** Cahors

**Varietal:** Malbec

**Farming Type:** Sustainable