



## *Château de la Vieille Chapelle*

GRAND VIN DE BORDEAUX

### **Avis de dégustation de Carol DB Whitehead, journaliste œnologique, suite à la dégustation Wine & Spirit Education Trust (WSET) à Londres - Mars 2009.**

Hello Brinda,

Nice to hear from you. I really enjoyed the seminar on Monday, and that seemed to be shared by the others I spoke with.

My two Star Wines of the tasting were both red: the Ch. CIVRAC '07 (spicy, interesting, very promising) and the Ch. CLOS ST EMILION Philippe Cuvee 106 '06 (fragrant, supple, complex and fine). The Ch. FLEUR HAUT GASSENS '05 was also very good - mature and savoury and an excellent match with beef; and a very intelligent price as well.

Both wines from Ch. RESPIDE-MEDEVILLE were notably well-made and tasty, and I liked the lighter weight and bright fruit of the red in particular - classic Graves in a modern style.

My favourite white was LES GRANDS BLANCS '08 from M. Mallier - really ripe and succulent, with finesse and freshness too. Very promising wine

The wines shown were all different and individual, and it's very special that M. Dauga is helping each winemaker and terroir to express themselves, rather than to impose his will and style on each one. His clients are lucky to work with him, and I wish them every success.

Again, thanks from AWE, as well as the Circle of Wine Writers, for bringing this seminar to us in London.

All best wishes,

Carol

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