

Jesse Lewis Sealed With Wax

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CHÂTEAU HAUT-PEYROUS GRAVES ROUGE 2008



Companion to the Graves Blanc reviewed last week. 65% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 15% Cabernet Franc. Those figures must be rounded up because there's a tiny amount of Malbec and Petit Verdot as well.

Laidback and confident, it sports aromas of red plum, pencil shavings, redcurrant jelly and a light touch of gravy/meat juices. Again, restrained on the palate. This is not overripe or a concentrated wine. Not lacking in flavour either. There's a minerality which leans towards ironstone and a coffee & tobacco-like finish that's structured with enough tannins to support short-mid term cellaring.

Just what I felt like drinking tonight – nothing too bold or weak. A solid mid-weight red.

Very Good / 89 points