The first red wine that we are importing from France that is not based in Burgundy is from…. you guessed it Bordeaux. And why not start with a crowd-pleasing, reasonably priced, 100% organic wine made mostly from Merlot.

 The Chateau La Braulterie is located in the heart of the the appellation Côtes de Bordeaux Blaye on the right bank of the Gironde. This is a family-owned and operated winery that has naturally expanded from generation to generation. Nowadays, Olivier is in the vineyard, Marie-Hélène takes care of the winery, and Sylvie makes sure customers glasses are full in the tasting room.

The Chateau has 38 hectares of vine in the appelations of Blaye Côtes de Bordeaux and the adjoining Côtes de Bourg. These large are offers lots of different terroirs, from which are made interesting and unique wines.

For ten years, from 2000-2010 the winery used sustainable agricultural methods – pesticides, for example were used minimally and only based on climatology and the presence of disease. At the end of 2009, the David family decided to take the big step and begin the process towards a total conversion to certified organic farming. The process takes 3 years and all the although all the wines have been organic since the 2010, they will all be labeled as such after the 2013 vintages as there is a 3 year conversion period.

 In line with our core values, this winery says it better than us when they claim “Even with the best technology, the wine is made in the vineyard and not in the cellar.”