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This polished and structured wine will pair well with dishes like roasted turkey and chicken, pork chops or game meat. Try it with the featured recipe of "Smoky Sausage & Peppers with Apple."



**Tolerant Vinotypes** will particularly enjoy this wine!

- **VINTAGE:** 2018
- **VARIETAL(S):** 80% Merlot and 20% Cabernet Sauvignon
- **APPELLATION:** AOC Bordeaux, France
- **ALCOHOL:** 14.5%
- **AGEING POTENTIAL:** 5 years
- **SERVE:** room temperature
- **PAIRINGS:** cheeses such as Brie, Camembert or Cheddar

*tidbit:* The main river that splits the appellation of Bordeaux in half is La Garonne, creating a Left and a Right Bank. On the Left Bank, in places like Médoc, wine is made with a majority of Cabernet Sauvignon, while on the Right Bank, in places such as Saint-Émilion or Pomerol, wine is made with Merlot as the main varietal for their blends.

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### INGREDIENTS

2 tablespoons olive oil  
1 medium onion, cut into thin wedges (1 cup)  
1 medium red bell pepper, cut into thin strips (1 cup)  
1 tablespoon McCormick Gourmet™ Organic Paprika, Smoked  
1 package (13 ounces) apple chicken sausage, cut diagonally in 3/4-inch pieces  
1 apple, such as Golden Delicious or Gala, peeled and thinly sliced  
1 cup apple cider  
1/2 teaspoon McCormick Gourmet™ Organic Garlic Powder  
1/2 teaspoon McCormick Gourmet™ Organic Thyme  
1/8 teaspoon McCormick Gourmet™ Organic Cayenne Pepper

### DIRECTIONS

Heat oil in large skillet on medium heat. Add onions and bell pepper; cook and stir 5 minutes or until onions are softened. Add paprika; cook and stir 1 minute.

Stir in remaining ingredients. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to low; simmer 10 minutes or until apples are tender. Serve over rice, if desired.

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