



CHATEAU HAUT-BRION

PREMIER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855



2008 Vintage



The Climate

A rainy and cool spring impeded vine growth and meant a late start for blossoms. In addition, a relatively cold and slightly moist August slowed the ripening of grapes. With the harvest period beginning about ten days after the date selected the previous year, 2008 was therefore a rather late vintage. In such a case, the behavior of the vine depends on the quality of the soil but also to a great extent on the winegrower's expertise and the hours of labor expended by personnel in the vineyard, before the harvest. Those two conditions for success were present at our Estates, 2008 proved a very good year for the quality of our red wines.

Some Technical Information

Harvest Dates From September 24th to October 16th

Blend Merlot Noir: 41% ; Cabernet Sauvignon: 50%

Cabernet Franc: 9%

New barrels 74%

Alcohol 14%

Bottling date From June 16th to 22th 2010

Tasting notes

Beautiful dense red color. The nose is very mature and presents notes of red fruits dominated by blackberries and blackcurrants. In the mouth, the approach is dense and tight. The evolution is very impressive due to sheer volume and impressive soft tannins. The fruit presence is very persistent with an ending that is long and aromatic. This wine has a lot of flavor and taste. It promises to have a very long and beautiful future.