



CHATEAU LA MISSION HAUT-BRION



2009 Vintage



The Climate

The growing season began under a rainy sky in spring. Flowering was even and homogeneous thanks to warm temperatures and the absence of rain in late May/early June. July, August, and September were also very dry. In fact, 2009 was one of the driest vintages in recent years (along with 2000 and 2005), which meant that the grapes ripened perfectly. The harvest took place starting on the last day of August and lasted until the first week in October, under conditions that every winemaker dreams of, with the near total absence of precipitation.

Some Technical Information

Harvest Dates From September 9th to October 5th
Blend Merlot Noir: 43%; Cabernet Sauvignon: 47%;
Cabernet Franc: 6%
New barrels 77%
Alcohol 14.5%
Bottling date From May 30th to June 7th 2011

Tasting note

A bewitching wine, from beginning to end of the tasting experience! The colour is very deep and the nose is intense, with plenty of character. This rich and utterly delicious wine spreads out beautifully on the palate. The tannin is smooth and sweet. 2009 Château La Mission Haut-Brion inevitably reminds tasters of one of this estate's finest successes: the 2000 vintage. The concentration, class, and balance between power and freshness are the hallmarks of both 2000 and 2009. However, 2009 has greater concentration, as well as another dimension and even stronger sensations. 2009 Château La Mission Haut-Brion is already mythical.