

2015 Chateau Haut Bergeron Sauternes - 375mL

Notes on the Winery

(by Christopher Cannan - www.europvin.com)

"It is a complete mystery why this superb Sauternes property is not better known. The vineyards are very well-located, the vines truly venerable, and the selection policy is as rigorous as for the 1ers Crus Classés (average yield 15 hl/ha !). The winemaking is attentive and intelligent, and the fruit is nicely complimented but not drowned in new oak. It appears that the Lamothe family have never had a problem selling their wine to a large and loyal following of private customers, and as a result have never sought international recognition or widespread publicity. With typically modest understatement - "récompenses obtenues" - they admit that Haut-Bergeron has won over 50 medals, including no less than 30 golds, but that is as far as they will go in 'blowing their own trumpet'.

...For the moment, the prices are criminally low given the quality of these wines, but the secret is out now and the inevitable supply-and-demand problems are sure to follow soon. Expect to hear a lot more about this first-rate property over the next few years. "



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Variety: 80% Semillon, 12% Sauvignon, 8% Muscadelle. Average age of the vines : 60 years

Vintage: 2015

Region: Sauternes AOC, France

Soil: On a hill of gravel, limestone and sand

Harvest: Hand picked only with several selective picking (between 4 and 6 depending on the vintage) of botrytised grapes.

Vinification: In 50% new oak barrels for 18 months. Regular topping-ups and rackings. Natural clarification.

Alcohol: 14%

Ageing Capacity: With all the care given and the selections made through the whole process of farming and vinification, Chateau Haut Bergeron has definitely the ability to age in bottle. Outstanding vintages dating from the last century such as 1924, 1926, 1928, 1929... are still being kept in the private cellar of Chateau Haut Bergeron.

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