

## 2020 Clarendelle White AOC Bordeaux

### *A heritage of Excellence.*

Mr Clarence Dillon, an eminent American financier, visited Bordeaux in 1934. He fell under the spell of Château Haut-Brion and recognized the unique opportunity of acquiring such a legendary estate. Mr Clarence Dillon purchased the estate in 1935 and this was the beginning of his family's long commitment and dedication to this famous château. Every improvement and innovation since then has been guided by a love of perfection, and Château Haut-Brion has remained worthy of its noble heritage.

Today, Domaine Clarence Dillon, produces five rare and exceptional estate wines of unequalled reputation as well as their second wines. Domaine Clarence Dillon's expertise, founded on five centuries of history, is reflected in every wine produced by the estate. In 2005, Clarence Dillon's great-grandson, Prince Robert de Luxembourg, began writing a new chapter of the Dillon family's history by establishing Clarence Dillon Wines to produce and sell the first premium brand wine in Bordeaux: "Clarendelle". Clarendelle's mission is to pursue the heritage of perfection left by this great man and it is a tribute to the first member of the family to settle in Bordeaux. With this outstanding terroir, passionate and qualified team, and an expertise handed down over centuries, all the necessary ingredients were there for the creation of a top-end Bordeaux brand.



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**Variety:** Sauv. Blanc 70%, Sémillon 25%,  
Muscadelle 5%

**Vintage:** 2020

**Region:** Bordeaux

**Winemakers:** Haut-Brion Winemaking Team

**Alcohol:** 13%

**Sweetness Description:** Dry

### Tasting Note

This comes from the owners of Chateau Haut-Brion and is named for the American financier, Clarence Dillon (1882-1979) who purchased Haut-Brion in 1935. The Clarendelle Blanc is a blend of 70% Sauvignon Blanc, 25% Sémillon and 5% Muscadelle, and is notably floral with crisp apple and lime citrus tones. It is a refined and elegant wine with a rich mouthfeel. (*VINTAGES panel, March 2016*)

**Serving Suggestion:** Peak: 2015-2020. Serving temperature: 10°- 12.5°C.

## A SHARED STYLE

*A symbol of elegance and tradition, the Clarendelle family of wines is ideal to complement the great wines of Domaine Clarence Dillon and they all share the same style and unique identity: elegance, balance and complexity.*

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### ACCOLADES

**JamesSuckling.com 90 points**

“Fresh and creamy with peaches and hints of celery. Medium-bodied with a light, round texture and a fruity finish.”

**Wine Align –for 2019 vintage**

**David Lawrason: 90 POINTS** “This is a very finely balanced, well woven white Bordeaux blend of semillon and sauvignon blanc. I am not picking up any oak, but the fine almost creamy texture suggests some possibility. There is a fleeting touch of sulphur but the nose shows fresh fig (from the semillon) grapefruit, hay, subtle dill. It is medium weight, compact yet lively with ripe, fairly intense fruit. Stylish and very well made in a traditional style. Excellent length.”  
Tasted June 2021

**Michael Godel: 91 POINTS** “Blends three Bordeaux white grapes with a high percentage of sémillon to match the sauvignon blanc and then rounded expertly with the softer muscadelle. Inspired by Haut-Brion and truly well-conceived, executed and finished by Domaine Clarence Dillon. Crunchy enough to gift a crisp and quenching wine while also in delivery of high fruit substance. And yet the sémillon maintains the directness in tannin and fortitude, gracing the Blanc with the ability to age for a spell. Drink a few early for top freshness and punch, then age a few more two to three years and see new nuances develop. Lots of craft involved here.” Drink 2021-2025. Tasted June 2021

**John Szabo: 89 POINTS** “ From the team that crafts 1st growth Bordeaux Haut Brion, this wine offers a clean and vibrant nose of citrus and green herbs off the top, which leads into a fresh and oak-free palate, well-balanced and nicely composed. I like the sapid, succulent acids and the even-keeled grace and ease. Simple but classy wine all the same.” Tasted June 2021