

2008 Château La Mission Haut Brion Pessac-Leognan

History of Chateau La Mission Haut Brion

Created by the noble Lestonnac family in the early years of the sixteenth century, the vineyard of Château La Mission Haut-Brion owes its name and its reputation to the Prêcheurs de la Mission, the Bordeaux branch of the Congrégation de la Mission de Saint-Lazare, a missionary order commonly known as the Lazarites, who held the property from 1682 until the French Revolution.

Awarded the Gold Medal at the 1862 International Exhibition in London, this mythical wine was named as a First Growth in 2009 by Liv-Ex, the world's leading exchange for fine wine, which had reviewed the 1855 Classification to create a new ranking of Bordeaux wines for the modern economic context.



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Classics

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Variety: Merlot Noir 43%; Cabernet Sauvignon 51%;
Cabernet Franc 6%

Vintage: 2008

Region: Bordeaux

Winemakers: Haut-Brion Winemaking Team

Alcohol: 13.5%

Tasting Notes: Resplendent colour of intense red. Complex nose of ripe fruit accompanied by familiar accents typical of this great estate. This “grand vin” at first somewhat closed on the palate, slowly opens to reveal a great length and finesse of ripe fruit. The dense tannins mesh beautifully. A very fine La Mission Haut-Brion.

Drink between now and 2030.

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90/100 Wine Spectator—April 30, 2011

“Tangy and lightly firm, with cherry pit, pomegranate and blackberry notes, followed by sage and tobacco. There’s nice focus, with a tarry hint for added length on the finish. Rather tight now, with the edgy feel holding sway, but this should settle into itself nicely enough. Best from 2013 through 2018.” *(Apr. 30/17)*

2008 Vintage:

In years when Bordeaux winegrowers face adverse weather conditions, they usually speak of a millésime de vigneron, meaning that only the most perspicacious, courageous and committed professionals will be able to produce quality wine.

This was the case in 2008, when the harvest period began 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 in which it is planted, 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.

As these two conditions for success were present at both of Domaine Clarence Dillon’s properties, 2008 proved an exceptional year for the quality of our white wines and a very good year for our red wines, similar to the 1988 vintage in style and to the 2004 in structure.