## CHATEAU BASTOR LAMONTAGNE SAUTERNES









Many wines are called the 'Wine of Kings' but that is literally true of Château Bastor Lamontagne. The estate once belonged to Louis XV, until he sold it to Vincent de la Montaigne, adviser to the parliament of Bordeaux, in 1711. But it was not until the Larrieu family (owners of Haut-Brion at the time) took over the property in 1839 that the estates reputation for sweet wines was established.

Château Bastor-Lamontagne is located in Preignac, one of the five villages of the Sauternes appellation and occupies 52 hectares in one piece on a magnificent silico-gravelly soil giving the wines that are produced a lot of sap and vigor. The estate owes its name to the Chevalier de la Montaigne, a councilor in the Bordeaux parliament who owned it in 1711. On the map of Belleyme established in the late 18th century "Bastore" is already an important area, but the real growth of cru is the work of the nineteenth century Amédée Larrieu who also owned the Château Haut-Brion in Pessac. A new page in the history of Château Bastor-Lamontagne has now been written since the summer of 2014 under the auspices of the new owners, the Moulin and Cathiard families (owners of Smith haut Lafitte in Pessac Leognan), who share their enthusiasm and expertise with this wine.

At Château Bastor-Lamontagne, the expression of fruit and harmony have always been privileged: often described as "modern Sauternes", the wines have finesse and balance making them pleasant to drink at any time. Although it is long-standing, Château Bastor-Lamontagne is a wine that can be appreciated young thanks to its liveliness and elegance. One of the few Châteaux that demand attention that fall out of the two tierd classification system in Barsac/Sauternes, this estate produces a luscious dessert wine that is styled to be a little more approachable. Still picked by hand from a blend of mostly Semillon followed by Sauvignon Blanc.

