

# CHÂTEAU CROIX-MOUTON



## PRIMEURS 2022



It is on the clay soils of the banks of the Dordogne and Fronsadais that the vineyards of Château Croix-Mouton have taken root in a very preserved environment rich in an ecosystem of great diversity. The story goes that the previous owner, Dr. Barde, recommended to his patients to drink this wine. In 1997, Jean-Philippe Janoueix falls under the spell of this sleeping beauty detecting a huge potential, he decides to buy it back with the goal of raising it to the top of its appellation.

From the harvest to barrel sleep, every act that leads to bottling is guided by a sense of values and respect for the terroir in its most just and healthy expression.

The 2022 vintage is a vintage of emotion. It is also an opportunity for the new team to unveil its ambition: to make Château Croix-Mouton shine. The M 2022 is inspired, this year, by the neon inscriptions on the posters of the greatest stages, synonymous with sharing, dreams and emotion.

### ESTATE:

Total surface 70ha. Argilo-limonous terroir, deep clays. The vines are grown according to reasoned cultivation methods with highly controlled yields, the aim being to reach the best of maturity.

### GRAPES:

80% Merlot, 20% : Cabernet sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Malbec, Petit-Verdot

### WINEMAKING:

This vintage was marked by a cold and rainy winter until April, followed by a period without rain from June to September and a particularly hot summer. For the harvest, a densimetric bath sorting system was used to clean the grapes and to sort them efficiently. Little extraction, low temperature to maintain the fruit, early run-off. The 2022s are ripe, rich wines with melted tannins. The wines are very colorful with a purplish hue, depth and balance in the mouth with a range of red fruits.