

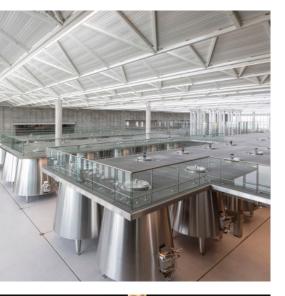
# CHATEAU LYNCH & BAGES

"2021, a 'Rock and Roll' vintage!"

Jean-Charles Cazes









## Château Lynch-Bages, four centuries of progress

Located on the outskirts of **Pauillac**, overlooking the Gironde estuary, and with a history dating back to **1632**, the Lynch-Bages vineyard stretches over a beautiful gravelly hilltop. Formerly owned by the illustrious Lynch family, of Irish descent, the estate was given a new dimension in the 18th century.

Jean-Charles Cazes, a former baker in Pauillac, acquired the property in 1939. Since 2007, his great-grandson and namesake has been managing the property following in the footsteps of his father, Jean-Michel. Today Jean-Charles Cazes represents the fourth generation of the Cazes family.

Following the 2016 harvest, renovation work began at the estate, overseen by American architect **Chien Chung Pei**. The new cellars aim to improve the **precision** of the whole winemaking process.

The **2020 vintage** marks a turning point in the history of Château Lynch-Bages: **the first to be processed in our new winery**.

Bright and flavourful with citrus aromas in its youth, Blanc de Lynch-Bages develops harmonious floral notes with ageing.

# 2021, ROCk and ROLL

The meteorological context in 2021 was complicated at times, marked by cool temperatures and a slight water deficit, resulting in a vintage that brought the expression of great "terroirs" to the front.

The rainfall episodes during flowering strongly reduced the quantitative harvest potential and the cool temperatures that followed slowed down the grapes' ripening process.

By the end of August, the sun came back in time for the first maturity checks. Harvesting began on 9 September with the Sauvignon Blanc plants, followed by the Muscadelle and Sémillon, and took place over six days in very good weather conditions.

Approximately 75% of the juice was vinified in individually temperature-controlled barrels. As a result, the wines preserved their fresh aromas throughout the process. The wines are then stirred on lees on a regular basis and are aged for a period of six months before bottling.

**Appellation** 

Bordeaux Blanc

Ageing

Six months in barrels on lees (50% new wood)

Surface

7 hectares

Blend

79% Sauvignon Blanc 15% Sémillon 6% Muscadelle

Terroir (soil)

Garonne gravel

Analyses

Acidity: 4.6 g/l of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> Alcohol: 12.98% vol.

pH: 3.27

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Harvest

Hand-picked and sorted at the vineyard

### Blanc de Lynch-Bages, the small mistake that led to success!

Who would have thought it? The Lynch-Bages white might never have existed if a nurseryman hadn't mixed some white grape vinestocks in with the vineyard's red by mistake. This is how Blanc de Lynch-Bages came into being, a small, personal collection of the equivalent of one barrel a year...

Born in 1978 and released for the first time in 1990, Blanc de Lynch-Bages is made from a blend of the Bordeaux appellation's three traditional white grape varieties: Sauvignon Blanc, Sémillon and Muscadelle.

