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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 18<sup>th</sup> century.

Château Lynch-Bages displays textbook Pauillac style with distinctive hedonistic character. With generous aromas in its youth, the wine develops additional layers of complexity with the ageing process.

## Château Lynch-Bages, four centuries of progress

- 1600** The first writings that mention the lands of "Batges" date back to the 16<sup>th</sup> century. Located at the entrance of Pauillac, these lands were home to generations of wine growers for centuries.
- 1750** In the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries, the Lynch family gave the estate a new dimension. Thomas Lynch, acquired the Domaine de Bages on 9 June 1750. His son, Michel Lynch, understood the importance of the terroirs, selected the best grape varieties, systematically drained the soils, and invented new tools to cultivate the vines. The estate remained in the Lynch family for seventy-five years.
- 1875** In 1875, Jean ("Lou Janou") Cazes and his wife Angélique left behind their mountains, their goats, and their pastures, and emigrated to Pauillac.
- 1933** Jean-Charles Cazes, who was born in Pauillac, didn't become a laborer as his father had been. Instead, he opened a bakery in Pauillac, and began working as a farmer at Lynch-Bages in 1933, before acquiring the estate six years later. He proved to be a good winemaker and Lynch-Bages' unique style came into its own. André continued his father's mission at Lynch-Bages and restored the vineyard. He was one of the first to promote Bordeaux wines abroad.
- 1973** Jean-Michel Cazes, who worked as an engineer in Paris, joined his father, André, in 1973. The facilities no longer met the oenology criteria and had to be renovated. The work lasted some fifteen years. The Lynch-Bages style began to assert itself and the wines gained in finesse and regularity.
- 2007** In 2007, Jean-Charles Cazes takes over the family estates. He represents the fourth generation of the Cazes family.



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2022 was a year of torment, marked by extreme climatic phenomena. But our vines were resilient, giving us an exceptional vintage and a life lesson. Nature doesn't stop.

Indeed, the 2022 vintage was ahead of schedule at every stage of the growth cycle, until the harvest.

The climatic conditions allowed the different grape varieties to reach perfect maturity in an excellent sanitary state.

*"Blanc de Lynch-Bages 2022 has a pale-yellow colour with green hues and offers a particularly expressive nose. The wine combines aromas of citrus, exotic fruits, as well as floral notes, rounded off with balanced freshness and a delicious mouth-watering finish."*

Nicolas Labenne, technical director, May 2023.



### Appellation

Bordeaux Blanc

### Ageing

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

### Surface

7 hectares

### Blend

67% Sauvignon Blanc  
22% Sémillon  
11% Muscadelle

### Terroir (soil)

Garonne gravel

### Harvest

Hand-picked and sorted  
at the vineyard and table.  
25-31 August

### Analyses

Acidity: 4,3 g/L d'H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>  
Alcohol: 13,1% vol.  
pH: 3,20

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2008

A decisive step is taken with the emergence of precision viticulture. The satellite mapping tools precisely analyze each parcel's potential and determine the characteristic features of each terroir. At the same time, the technical team begins to draw up specifications to design a new winery taking on board viticultural developments.

2017

The renovation project started with the help of the American architect Chien Chung Pei. The new winery aims to improve the precision of the wine-making process.

2020

Marking four centuries of history and the culmination of four years' hard work, the 2020 vintage, the first born in the renovated cellars, opened a new chapter in the life of the estate.



## 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.