



## CHATEAU HAUT-BRION



### *Château Haut-Brion 2009*

Château Haut-Brion's tasting notes :

#### A VERY OUTSTANDING YEAR

The purplish-red color is the first sign of this wine's concentration. When swirled in the glass, it displays a deep, warm, very ripe bouquet. 2009 Château Haut-Brion is full of flavour from beginning to end. It is so rich and concentrated that we are tempted to use the word "thick". However, this thickness is in no way synonymous with heaviness thanks to a counterbalancing freshness. 2009 Château Haut-Brion is reminiscent of 2005 in terms of power, but is even more concentrated.

It also has the ripeness and mouthfeel of 1990 and 1989. To summarize, 2009 Château Haut-Brion can be said to be a cross between 2005 and 1989. We are now able to say that it is the most beautiful wine the estate has ever produced.

Merlot Noir 46%  
Cabernet Sauvignon 40%  
Cabernet Franc 14%

#### Weather conditions

Temperature sum : 3 455 °C.  
Rainfall : 388 mm  
Number of days over 30°C : 22

Harvesting began : August 31st – October 6th.

#### Current vintage notes

Winegrowers are cautious by nature. However, this year, we are throwing this legendary caution to the wind to announce the birth of a beautiful and very great vintage. The newborn is so magnificent and full of promise that it is difficult to contain our enthusiasm. We will not beat about the bush: 2009 is extraordinary, undoubtedly worthy of a place of honor in the Hall of Fame along with the legendary 1929, 1947, 1949, 1959, 1961, 1982, 1989, 1990, 2000, and 2005 vintages.



*Domaine Clarence Dillon*