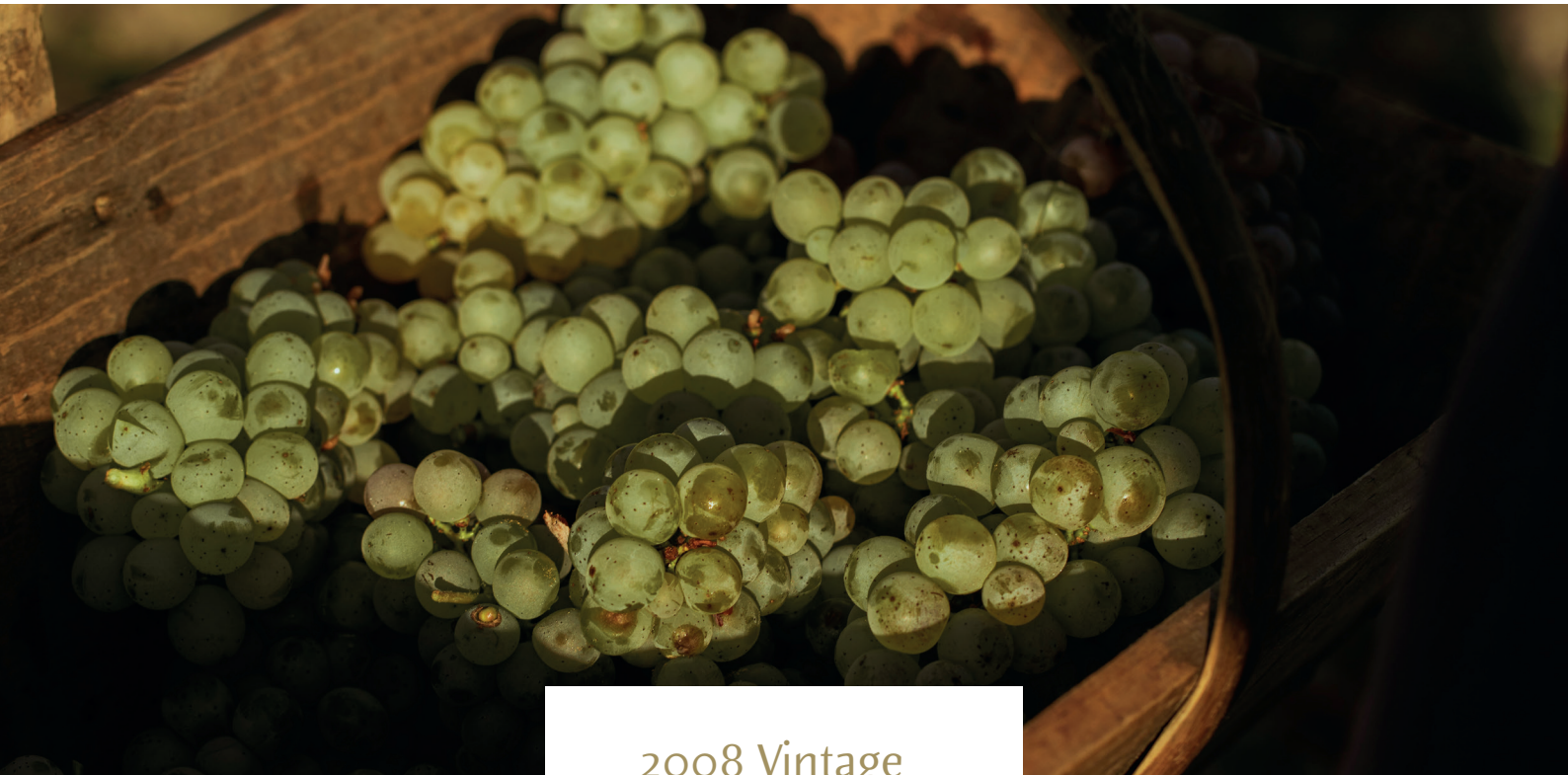




CHATEAU HAUT-BRION

PREMIER GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855



2008 Vintage



The Climate

A rainy and cool spring impeded vine growth and meant a late start for blossoms. In addition, a relatively cold and slightly moist August slowed the ripening of grapes. With the harvest period beginning about ten days after the date selected the previous year, 2008 was therefore a rather late vintage. In such a case, the behavior of the vine depends on the quality of the soil but also to a great extent on the winegrower's expertise and the hours of labor expended by personnel in the vineyard, before the harvest. Those two conditions for success were present at our Estates, 2008 proved an exceptional year for the quality of our white wines.

Some Technical Information

Harvest dates From September 8th to 18th
Blend Sauvignon Blanc: 45% ; Sémillon: 55%
New barrels 40%
Alcohol 14%
Bottling date On July 7th 2009

Tasting note

Intense, fruity nose where the notes of ripe Sauvignon mingle with the power of the Semillon and leave impressions, (even before tasting), of denseness and white fruit, like peaches and apples. In the mouth it is long and silky. It gives an impression of a remarkable balance. This will be a very great Haut-Brion blanc.