

2011 Château La Mission Haut Brion Blanc

Drinking:

Alcohol:

Variety:

Château Mission Haut Brion, Bordeaux Wine Region, France

Now 2032

Product details

Producer:

Vintage: 2011

Château Mission

Haut Brion

Bordeaux Wine

Region: Region

Country: France

Tasting notes

A candidate for THE wine of the vintage! This has one of the impeccably pure and crystal clear noses I have ever encountered. It is a master class in the balance of intensity and a delicate touch with aromas of iced-citrus fruits in perfect harmony with perfectly pitched toasty, smoky oak. The final notes of lees (just a hint) and minerality linger on this nose tingling myriad of aromas. On the palate the richness, complexity and density is just stunning and the first wave a citrus fruit bursts across the tongue. The mile-long finish evolves into a delicious stoney, smoky character. Yet again it is a question of the masterful balance of texture and searing acidity that indicates a very long life-span.

About the producer

Haut Brion and its sister property, La Mission Haut Brion, which was acquired by the Dillon family in 1983 and is situated opposite the main estate, are almost entirely surrounded by the suburbs of Bordeaux. The vineyards are only 5km southwest of the centre of the city and it is a credit to the property that it has managed to continue unaffected by the encroaching urban sprawl.

