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L'ACADÉMIE DU VIN DE BORDEAUX

Preserving and sharing the spirit, history and culture of Bordeaux's wines

The Académie du Vin de Bordeaux has been publishing its Code des Millésimes (Vintage Code) since 1954 to assist wine enthusiasts when purchasing and opening Bordeaux's wines.

Established by a panel of experts, this guide provides information, for each vintage and each colour of wine, on its Quality, Evolution and Power or Richness: "Dry white wines, while very pleasant when young, evolve to express the subtleties of their character as they age.

Over time, sweet wines reveal the complexity of their flavours. Red wines are often seductive in their early years; wine enthusiasts enjoy following their evolution as they gradually reveal their full potential".

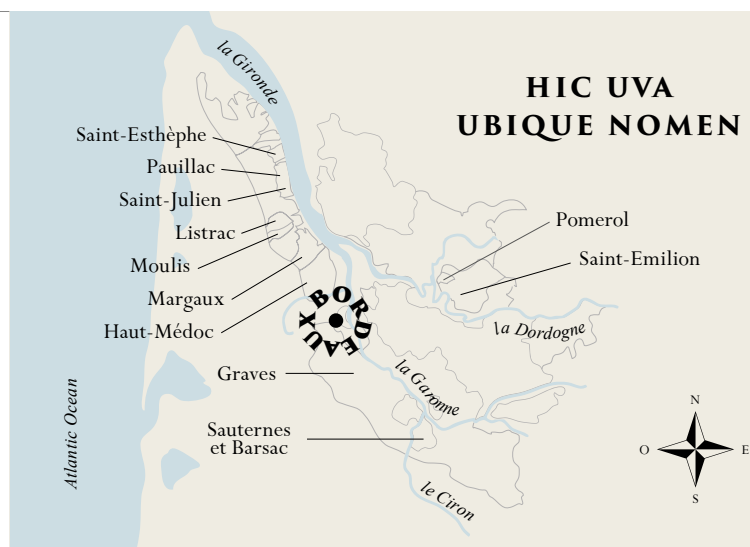
TASTING TIPS

TEMPERATURE — White wines should be served between 8° et 12°C, red wines between 16° and 18°C.

GLASSES — The shape of the glass has a significant effect on the perception of the wine's aromas. Traditionally in Bordeaux, a tulip-shaped glass filled to one-third is used.

AERATION — A young red wine can be poured into a carafe to release its aromas. The wine's age will determine how long beforehand it should be decanted.

DECANTING — A natural deposit may form in the bottle, a sign that your wine is ageing well: decanting carefully will remove any sediment.



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QUALITY

- Excellent
- Generally good
- Uneven, some very good wines

EVOLUTION

- Fruity young wines with a long future ahead of them
- Have acquired some maturity and will continue to develop
- Excellent maturity, may continue to evolve in good cellar conditions
- At their peak

POWER - RICHNESS

DRY WHITE WINES

- Fruity, delicate, lively
- Well-balanced, refined, elegant
- Mature, full-flavoured, very refined

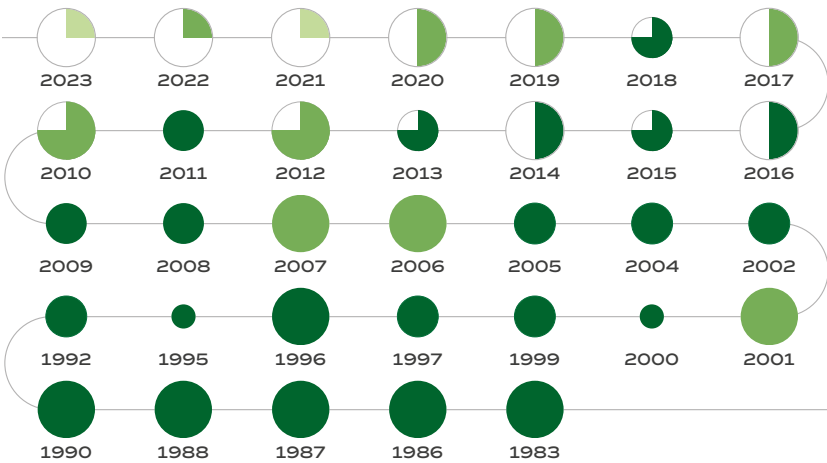
SWEET WHITE WINES

- Refined, fruity, elegant
- Round, balanced, concentrated
- Rich, opulent, complex

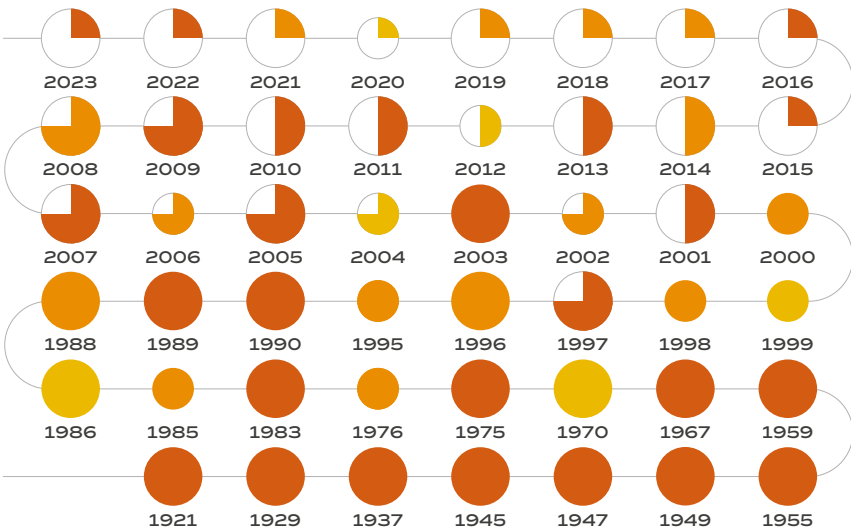
RED WINES

- Refined, fruity, elegant
- Well-balanced, rich, harmonious
- Full-bodied, well-structured

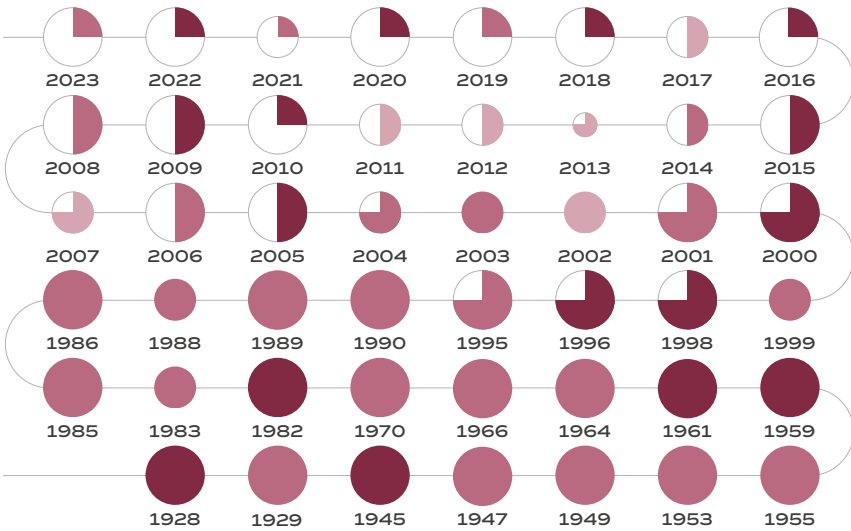
DRY WHITE WINES



SWEET WHITE WINES



RED WINES



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Château Beauregard
Château Clinet
Château Gazin
Château La Conseillante
Château La Fleur-Pétrus
Château Latour Pomerol
Château L'Evangile
Château Petit-Village
Château Rouget
Château Trotanoy
Pétrus
Vieux Château Certan

SAINT-ÉMILION

Château Bélair-Monange
Château Canon
Château Canon-La-Gaffelière
Château Cap de Mourlin
Château Chauvin
Château Cheval Blanc
Château Corbin Michotte
Château Dassault
Château de Ferrand
Château-Figeac
Château Fombrauge
Château La Dominique
Château Larcis Ducasse
Château La Serre
Château Trottevieille
Clos Fourtet

GRAVES

Château Carbonnieux
Château de Fieuzal
Château Ferrande
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Château Haut-Brion
Château La Louvière
Château La Mission Haut-Brion
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Château Filhot
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Château Pichon-Longueville
Comtesse de Lalande
Château Pontet-Canet

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Château Brane-Cantenac
Château Dauzac
Château Desmirail
Château d'Issan
Château Durfort-Vivens
Château du Tertre
Château Giscours
Château Kirwan
Château Margaux
Château Marquis de Terme
Château Prieuré-Lichine
Château Rauzan-Ségla
Château Siran

SAINT-JULIEN

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Château Branaire-Ducru
Château Ducru-Beaucaillou
Château Gloria
Château Gruaud-Larose
Château Léoville Barton
Château Talbot

SAINT-ESTÈPHE

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Château Capbern
Château Cos d'Estournel
Château Cos-Labory
Château de Pez
Château Lafon-Rochet
Château Montrose
Château Phélan Ségur

LISTRAC

Château Fonréaud
Château Fourcas Dupré
Château Fourcas Hosten

HAUT-MÉDOC

Château Coufran
Château de Camensac
Château de Lamarque
Château La Lagune
Château Lanessan

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Château Poujeaux

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