



## THE VINEYARD

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<b>Surface of production for white:</b>	10 ha (total surface: 50 ha)
<b>Nature of the soil:</b>	Clay-limestone soil on the eastern slopes of the property, offering good natural drainage with optimum exposure for our white grape varieties.
<b>Grape varieties:</b>	60% Sauvignon Blanc; 40% Sémillon
<b>Pruning:</b>	Double Guyot system for the Sauvignon Blanc and Cordon pruning for the Sémillon
<b>Density of planting:</b>	7,200 feet/ha
<b>Average age of the vineyard:</b>	35 years
<b>Vineyard management:</b>	Traditional Methods. Sustainable Vine Protection. Green Harvesting by hand: desuckering, excess bud removal, leaf thinning, removal of excess shoots.

## PRESENTATION OF THE VINTAGE

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The 2005 vintage mostly owes its exceptional quality to the drought that went on during the whole year, apart from April. This dry and mild weather had been ideal and led to a fast and homogeneous blooming in early June. The vine gave us berries that were not only sweet and full of aromas, but also with an excellent acidity level, thus helping the expression of fresh fruits. The mild warmth of the summer explains the rich and fruity aromas of the white wine. The cool night during August allowed the berries of our two main grape varieties, Sémillon and Sauvignon, to stay healthy and express their style.

### Harvest:

Plot by plot handpicking, in small crates  
From the 28<sup>th</sup> of August to the 10<sup>th</sup> of September

### Vinification:

Alcoholic fermentation in barrel  
Ageing: 15 months on lees, whose 10 months in French oak barrels  
New barrels: 30%  
Alcohol: 13%



## TASTING

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<b>Blending:</b>	55% Sauvignon Blanc - 44% Sémillon - 1% Muscadelle
<b>Bottling:</b>	At the Château, in February 2007 – 2,650 cases
<b>Distribution:</b>	Place de Bordeaux

« Just bottled, the wine has some intense aromas of fresh fruits, citrus, white peach and exotic fruits. The sweet attack grows with a tasty and velvety vividness. Its balanced and complex structure guarantees the 2005 white a promising future. »