

# CHÂTEAU AUSONE

### The 2022 Vintage

#### Location

The vineyard is exceptionally located on the heights of Saint Emilion, facing east-south-east, close to the ramparts of the medieval village.

#### Planted vineyard area

7.25 hectares.

#### Nature of soils

Vines spread over asteria limestone plateau and calcareous clay slope.

#### Plantation density

Between 6,500 and 12,600 vines per hectare.

#### Average age of the vines

54 years.

#### Harvest dates

Merlot: 5 and 9 September.

Cabernet Franc: 21 and 27 September.

#### Viticulture and oenology

Traditional fermentation in wooden vats followed by 20 months ageing in french oak barrels. Conversion to organic farming since 2020.

#### 2022 Blend

50% of Cabernet Franc and 50% of Merlot.

#### Owner / Wine-grower

VAUTHIER family / Managed by Alain VAUTHIER and Pauline VAUTHIER.

#### Wine team

Vineyard Manager: Laurent VALLET. Cellar Master: Philippe BAILLARGUET.

#### Distribution

Sales through Bordeaux traders.

## # 17 Centuries of History #

Traces of vines on the current Château Ausone site date back from late antiquity (340 AJ). In a few strides, the Ausone area provides an opportunity to pass through centuries of local tradition. Naturally, vine cultivation can be found, but also the element of stone through underground quarries, troglodyte habitats and vestiges of a rock cemetery.

Successive generations of wine-growers have known how to make the most of this tiny land to achieve excellence. Only 3 families have managed the vineyard since the 14th century, offering an incredible regularity. Today, it is the turn of the 11th generation of the last line to pursue this task with passion and devotion.

