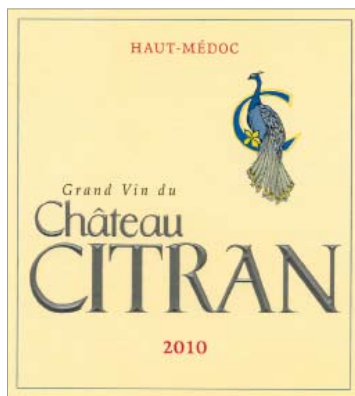


# CHÂTEAU CITRAN



HAUT-MÉDOC

Owner: Antoine Merlaut



The Donissan de Citran family reigned over this former Médoc seigneurie from the 11<sup>th</sup> century until 1832, when the last heir was obliged to sell the estate to Monsieur Clauzel.

This rich, ambitious businessman was responsible for giving the estate its present form and propelled it to the forefront of Médoc wines.

The Great Depression of 1929 and two world wars compromised the many efforts made to transform Citran into a great wine. The Mialhe brothers purchased the estate in 1945 and began renovating it. This ambitious undertaking was continued in 1987 when a Japanese group acquired Citran.

In 1996, the Merlaut family, deeply involved in the Bordeaux wine industry, took over. Antoine Merlaut and his wife, Virginie, work tirelessly to give Château Citran its rightful place, while making sure to respect its environment, history and soul.

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Area under vine	100 hectares
Production	450,000 bottles
Soil	Gravel and sand on asteriated limestone and clay-limestone soil
Grape varieties	50% Merlot, 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet franc
Barrel ageing	15-18 months - New barrels: 30%
Second wine	Moulins de Citran

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