

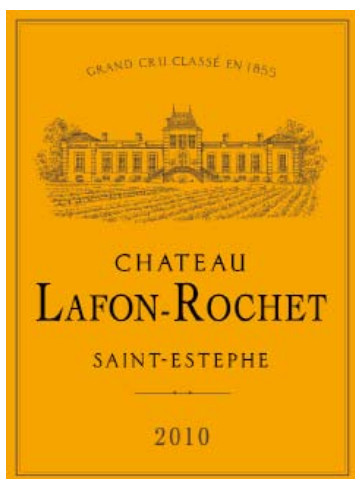
CHÂTEAU LAFON-ROCHET

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855



SAINT-ESTÈPHE

Owner: the Tesson family



This estate can trace its history back to the latter 16th century. For over two hundred years, it belonged to the Lafon family, who managed to keep hold of it through the turmoil of the French Revolution. They also lived to see its ultimate recognition in the 1855 classification, when Lafon-Rochet was admitted to the very select club of great growths, one of only five in Saint-Estèphe. Ideally situated, between Cos d'Estournel and Lafite-Rothschild to the south, Lafon-Rochet features some of the finest vineyard land in the world. It is not hard to see why Guy Tesson, well-known for the quality of his old Cognac, became interested in acquiring the estate over forty years ago.

He soon came to the conclusion that the existing buildings were not worthy of saving. He thus completely demolished them, going on to build a new cellar as well as a chateau based on the plans of a 17th century chartrreuse, or manor house, that is unique in Bordeaux.

Thanks to unceasing care and attention, Lafon-Rochet is one of the finest wines in Saint-Estèphe, France, and the whole world.

Area under vine	45 hectares
Production	120,000 bottles
Soil	Gravel from the Quaternary Period with a clay-limestone subsoil
Grape varieties	55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, 3% Cabernet franc, 2% Petit Verdot
Barrel ageing	15 months - New barrels: 50%
Second wine	Les Pèlerins de Lafon Rochet

Director: Basile Tesson - Manager: Michel Tesson - Manager: Caroline Poniatowski

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