Château Prieuré-Lichine

GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855





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Owner: Groupe Ballande



Founded in the 12th century by monks from Vertheuil Abbey, the prieuré (or "priory") of Cantenac produced well-reputed wines from the very beginning. The vineyard belonged to the Church until the French Revolution.

In 1951, Alexis Lichine, called "the Pope of Wine", took over the estate and added his name two years later. Thanks to his patient determination, he was able to add new vineyard plots, modernize the cellars, and renovate the monks' former living quarters. Château Prieuré-Lichine's fate was linked to that of the Lichine family for nearly half a century.

Now owned by the Ballande group, the château has entered a dynamic new phase of its history and eight hectares of vines were added in 2012.

A new approach to managing far-flung vineyard plots has turned this diversity into a decided advantage, enabling Prieuré-Lichine to express the full complexity of its terroir thanks to an experienced and devoted winemaking team.

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Area under vine	78 hectares
Production	192,000 bottles
Soil	Pyrenean gravel and gravel from the Günz glaciation period
Grape varieties	55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot
Barrel ageing	18 months - New barrels: 50%
Second wine	Confidences de Prieuré-Lichine
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