



# Louis Latour

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

## CHASSAGNE-MONTRACHET 1ER CRU BLANC 2003

- REGION Côte de Beaune
- APPELLATION Chassagne-Montrachet Premier Cru
- VILLAGE Chassagne-Montrachet
- GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay

### *The Vine*

- AVERAGE VINE AGE 30 years
- SOIL Chalk and clay.
- AVERAGE YIELD 40 hl/ha
- HARVEST Hand picked

### *Vinification & Ageing*

- FERMENTATION Traditional in oak barrels with complete malolactic fermentation
- AGEING 8 to 10 months ageing in oak barrels, 50% new
- BARRELS Louis Latour cooperage, French oak, medium toasted

### *Description*

Chassagne-Montrachet is located to the south of Puligny-Montrachet in the Côte de Beaune and is one of Burgundy's greatest white wine appellations. This Premier Cru wine has been selected from the best parcels of land where the grapes are exposed to the maximum amount of sunshine which ensures optimum ripeness before the harvest. The word Chassagne comes from either the Latin cassanea which means an oak wood or cassanus which means oak. Until the late 19th century, the main settlement of this commune was known as Chassagne-le-Haut. However in 1879, in common with other villages in the Côte d'Or, the village was allowed to change its name replacing le Haut with name of their most famous Grand Cru Montrachet.

### *Wine tasting*

- TASTING NOTE Pale yellow in the glass this wine has an intriguingly delicate bouquet of violets. On tasting we are impressed with a rounded and powerful wine revealing ample structure with vanilla and oak flavours filling the mouth. This is undoubtedly a fine wine needing to be cellared for a few years. Tasted 08/02/05.
- CELLARING POTENTIAL 5-7 years
- FOOD PAIRING Charcuterie - fish - shellfish - goats cheese.
- SERVING TEMPERATURE 12-14°

