



# Louis Latour

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

## BÂTARD-MONTRACHET GRAND CRU 2001

- REGION Côte de Beaune
- VILLAGE Puligny-Montrachet
- APPELLATION Bâtard-Montrachet Grand Cru
- GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay

### *The Vine*

- AVERAGE VINE AGE 40 years
- SOIL Gravel, limestone base.
- AVERAGE YIELD 35 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, 100% new
- BARRELS Louis Latour cooperage, French oak, medium toasted

### *Description*

The Grand Cru vineyard of Bâtard-Montrachet lies between the picturesque villages of Puligny-Montrachet and Chassagne-Montrachet, home to the world's greatest white wines. Only a small country lane separates this 11.86 hectare vineyard from the great Montrachet itself. Its gentle easterly-facing slope is made up of a deep, rich, gravelly soil which has a limestone base, world renowned for the production of high quality Chardonnay.

### *Wine tasting*

- TASTING NOTE The 2001 Bâtard-Montrachet has a brilliant lemon-yellow hue. On the nose it is subtle and fresh (still a young wine that has yet to open to its full potential) with hints of vanilla and oak. On the palate it is a deliciously potent combination of tropical fruits and caramel also with lingering oak. This is a powerful, round, full-bodied wine which will only get better with time. Tasted 22/01/03.
- FOOD PAIRING Pan-fried sea scallops - saffroned monkfish - lobster thermidor.
- SERVING TEMPERATURE 12-14°

### *Press review*

Bâtard-Montrachet Grand Cru 2001 - Wine Advocate - April 2003 - 92/100  
Bâtard-Montrachet Grand Cru 2001 - Wine Spectator - January 2004 - 88/100

