



# *Le Château de Fontenay*

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*Our History, our Estate and our Wines*

**Presentation of the Estate - 2010**



Ever since 1680, according to some writings, the *Château de Fontenay* has produced wine with great consideration for nature.

This keynote grows stronger as the years go by.





## *Our Estate, its History*



At the Heart of the Cher valley, our estate is intimately involved with the Castle, a witness of French History. Its northern lands offer a great variety of soils, in which the grapevine finds the minerals necessary for its extraordinary maturity.

It's our winegrower's unique craft, with his careful consideration and traditional experience of winemaking, which allows us to harness the wealth of the *Val de Loire* Grape variety: Chenin, Sauvignon, Cabernet, Côt and Gamay.

In 1902, our Castle began its wine-producing adventure over 3 hectares. With no activity between 1985 and 1996, the land was left to rest. A single plot of Cabernet, 70 years of age, bears witness to that period. It was after this pause, due to the total reconstruction of the estate, that our passion for our vineyards aroused. Didier, Carole, Nathalie, Philippe, are the people dedicated to these 10 hectares.



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## Awards and Acclamations

### Our Sauvignon:



Regularly awarded stars **by the Hachette guide**, particularly in 2006, 2007 and 2008.

This year, it obtained **the gold medal at Mâcon 2010**, and was recently “**Commanded**” by the **International Wine Challenge 2010** in London.

So, the British are big enthusiasts: selected by wine-critic Sam Harrop, our sauvignon is regularly chosen as one of the representatives of **The Ambassador Cuvée** of Interloire.

The Germans are also great admirers: in June 2006, “**Weinwirtschaft**” magazine warmly recommended it to their readers with a mark of **16/20**.



### Our Rosé Wines:

In 2005, we obtained a **Lys d'Or** award **at the Interloire contest** for our “Rosé” wine.

In 2008, this time it was our rosé “*Le Clos des Sables*” which collected a gold medal **at the Mâcon wine contest**.

Then, in 2009, it was the “*Clos des Garennes*” turn to clinch **the Ligiers Bronze medal, at Vins du Val de Loire contest**.



### Our Chenin:

In 2005, the female jury of the Beaune “**Feminalise**” contest awarded the gold medal to our “*Cuvée de Fontenay*”, our syropy chenin.

### Our Red Wines:

The “*Réserve de Jean*”, too, was granted a star in the 2008 Guide Hachette.

Our *Sainte Marguerite*, alongside others, is recommended by Sébastien Laffitte, **a top French Sommelier**.



*Find out more about our wines!*

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# Our different Vintages

Available Vintage Years



## Le Sauvignon

*Sam Harrop's selection & Cuvée Ambassador d'Interloire, Gold medal at Mâcon 2010*

## Les Rangs de Pierre

*Chenin Sec ou Demi-Sec*

*AOC 2008 - 2009*

*AOC 2007 - 2008  
& IGP 2009*



## La Sainte Marguerite

*A blend of Gamay & Côt grape varieties*

## La Réserve de Jean

*Cabernet Franc & Côt*

## Les Vignes de Paul

*Côt*

*AOC 2008*

*AOC 2007 - 2008*

*AOC 2006 - 2007*



## Le Rosé des Garennes

*Ligers Bronze medal ; Demi-Sec*

## Le Clos des Sables

*Gold medal at Mâcon ; Sec*

*IGP 2009*

*AOC 2008*



## La Rosière

*Rosé wine Traditional method*

## Le Clos Hortense

*Traditional method, Chardonnay*

*Available in  
September*

*More details are available in our technical leaflets*

*Please do not litter*

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