

When my grandmother settled in Fours in 1937, the vineyard covered 2.8 hectares. We've come a long way since then! My parents took over from her in 1965, making the most of the rich clay and limestone soil and continuing to expand the vineyard until it covered 15 hectares in 1980. I naturally inherited this passion for the terroir. Our vineyard now covers 30 hectares. My two brothers, Patrice and Cédric, have joined me in continuing to honour the memory of our grandmother with a round, fruity and generous wine crafted mainly from Merlot.



## Château Canteloup Lestage

## BLAYE CÔTES DE BORDEAUX

Village: Fours

Total surface of the vineyard: 30 hectares

Type of soils: Clay-limestone

**Blend of grape varieties:** 95 % Merlot, 5 % Cabernet sauvignon **Wine vinification:** Selected according to plot. Vinification in small vat-room. Separated by plot and by quality. Cold maceration before fermentation to gently extract the colour and aromas of the fresh fruit. Maceration 10-15 days.

**Tasting notes:** The colour is deep and intense. The nose is powerful with notes of blackberries. The attack in the mouth is impressive. A strong character comes through on the palette, a subtle blend of generous, very ripe summer berries and well-integrated wood with notes of caramel and vanilla. The whole is a frank success, with a very pleasurable and persistent finish.

Wine and Food pairing: Mature hard cheese

Awards:

Vintage 2015: Gold medal Concours International de Lyon 2016,

Silver medal AWC Vienna 2016

Vintage 2016: Silver medal Concours International de Lyon 2017