



# Louis Latour

MAISON FONDÉE EN 1797

## CORTON-CHARLEMAGNE GRAND CRU 2008

- REGION Côte de Beaune
- APPELLATION Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru
- VILLAGE Aloxé-Corton
- GRAPE VARIETY Chardonnay

### *The Vine*

- AVERAGE VINE AGE 30 years
- SOIL Stony limestone
- 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, 100% new
- BARRELS Louis Latour cooperage, French oak, medium toasted

### *Description*

After the ravages of the phylloxera epidemic at the end of the 19th century the Latour family took the then unusual decision to tear up the dead Aligoté and Pinot Noir vines and replace them with Chardonnay. This decision leads them to create one of Burgundy's most celebrated white whites.

Today the Latour family owns 10.5 hectares which makes them the biggest owner in the appellation. The Latour's Corton-Charlemagne vineyards are located on a prime section of the Corton hillside where the south-easterly aspect ensures maximum exposure to the sun. The fruit is harvested as late as possible to guarantee maximum ripeness.

### *Wine tasting*

- TASTING NOTE This Grand Cru has a complex bouquet of fresh almonds and hints of oak. Impressive in structure it also reveals mineral notes on the finish. This is without doubt a wine to lay down for a few more years.
- CELLARING POTENTIAL 10-15 years
- FOOD PAIRING Shellfish - lobster - foie gras - fish - mature cheeses
- SERVING TEMPERATURE 12-14°

### *Press review*

- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2008 - The International Wine & Food Society - October 2017
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2008 - Wine Chronicles - May 2016 - 93/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2008 - Tom Cannavan's wine-pages.com - August 2015 - 94/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2008 - James Suckling - June 2015 - 94/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2008 - The Sunday Business Post - February 2015 - 94/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2008 - Wine Spectator - May 2011 - 92/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2008 - Wine Enthusiast - November 2010 - 95/100
- Corton-Charlemagne Grand Cru 2008 - Burghound.com - July 2010 - 92-94/100

