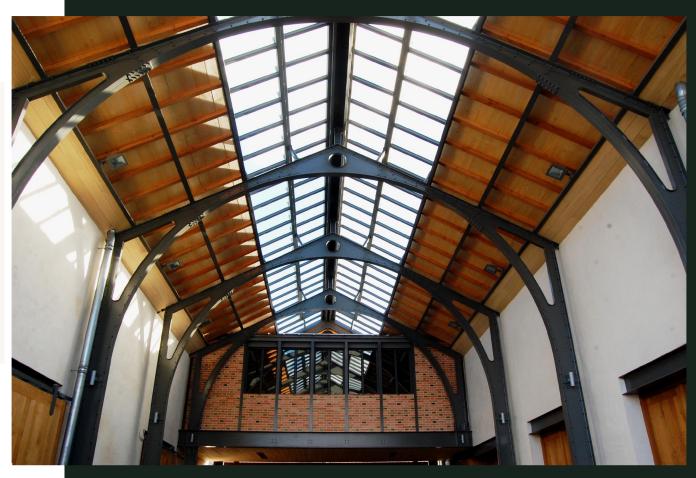
## CHÂTEAU FERRIERE

3<sup>RD</sup> CLASSIFIED GROWTH OF 1855, MARGAUX



OWNER : CLAIRE VILLARS-LURTON (2<sup>ND</sup> GENERATION OF WOMAN AS THE OWNER OF THE CHÂTEAU FERRIÈRE)
3RD CLASSIFIED GROWTH OF 1855 IN MARGAUX

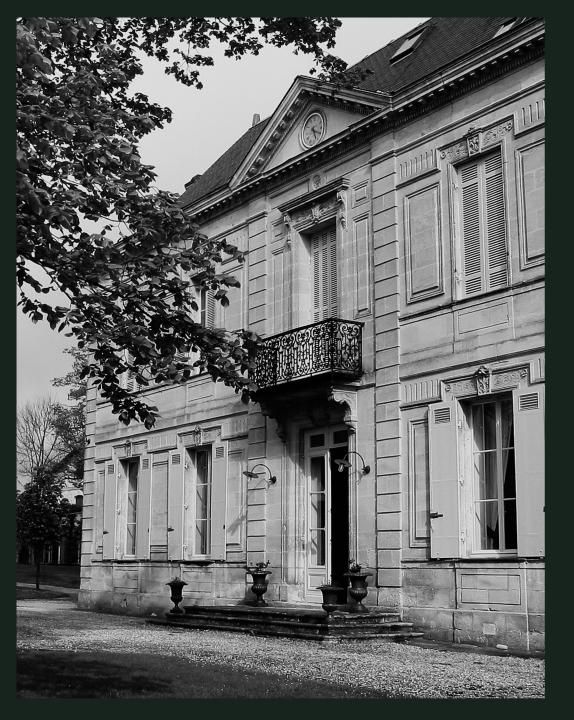
3 TIMES ORGANICALLY & BIODYNAMICALLY CERTIFIED : AB, DEMETER & BIODYVIN











- SIZE OF VINEYARD : 24 HECTARES
- SOIL : DEEP GRAVELS ON LIMESTONE SUBSTRATE
- GRAPE VARIETALS : 61% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 26% MERLOT, 2% CABERNET FRANC, 11% PETIT VERDOT
- WINES : CHÂTEAU FERRIÈRE, LES REMPARTS DE FERRIÈRE, INSPIRATION











CLAIRE, CHÂTEAU FERRIÈRE CURRENT OWNER, USED TO RUN AROUND HER VINEYARD, UNTIL SHE REALIZED THE AIR SHE WAS BREATHING WAS UNHEALTHY.

THIS WAS A REAL TRIGGER TO CONVERT THE CHÂTEAU FERRIÈRE VINEYARD TO ECOLOGICAL VITICULTURE.



## CHÂTEAU FERRIÈRE



HAVING TAKEN UP THE TORCH FROM HER MOTHER BERNADETTE, CLAIRE IS THE RESULT OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> GENERATION OF WOMAN OWNER OF CLASSIFIED GROWTH OF 1855.



Claire will pass on a healthy vineyard to her children. That is her goal. "You can't talk about the terroir all the time without doing something to protect it". Having become aware of Château Ferrière's exceptional terroir, Claire wants to preserve it and make it sustainable, using biodynamic and agroecological methods. This way of cultivating the vines and making wine at Château Ferriere is, however, more complex than it might seem at first sight. Because of its proximity to the Atlantic Ocean, the Bordeaux region has a maritime climate and so tends to be very humid. Every year, we have to be ever more ingenious in the fight against mildew: this vine disease is the main cause of reduced yields on wine estates. Training the teams in the vineyard and the winery in a new way of thinking and working, uniting them in this ambitious project, and getting them to accept a new lunar, planetary rhythm dictated by Mother Nature... was a major challenge for both Claire and Gérard, Director of Production at Château Ferriere from 1978 to 2025.

Only 5% of Bordeaux's agricultural land is organic on the late 2000s, and yet Claire and Gérard accomplished the feat of converting the entire vineyard to organic and then biodynamic farming. They obtained organic certification in 2015, then biodynamic certification in 2018. Château Ferrière then became the second property in the 1855 classification to be certified organic by Agrocert and biodynamic by Biodyvin.

The technical team has gradually risen to the challenge of constantly seeking balance. They have even gone as far as making the property completely independent in terms of its biodynamic preparations. Inevitably, this method of biodynamic cultivation and winemaking aroused interest among the other properties in the area. In response, Château Ferrière became the Médoc branch of the Mouvement de l'Agriculture BioDynamique (MABD) and hosts meetings at the property two times a year.



