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## *Domaine Alain Aubert Chateau Ascension 2015*

*“Plenty and full, fresh modern and crisp”*

A new estate is emerging on the Saint-Émilion plateau, among the foremost chateaux of this prestigious vintage. In the very heart of the thousand year-old vineyard, on the Saint Christophe des Bardes road, stands the Château Ascension whose fully-renovated buildings have preserved the charm of the traditional rubble-stone, allied with the modernity of openings which provide a commanding view over carefully-tended vines. The half-buried cask storage cellar ensures optimum preservation of the wines.

### **Appellation**

Saint Emilion Grand Cru

### **Location**

St Christophe des Bardes

### **Winery Size**

5.7 HA

### **Winemaker**

Héloïse Aubert

### **Varieties**

75% Merlot - 25% Cabernet Franc

### **Aging**

50% New French barrels for 16 months

### **Age of Vines**

35 Years

### **Elevation**

15 m

### **Soil**

Limestone – Gravels

### **Max Yield**

5000 Kgs/Ha

### **Alcohol Content**

13.5 %

### **Production**

35.000 Bottles

### **Farming**

Reasoned Protection

## **Production**

Vines are tended with loving care, and the selective, limited sorting of grapes is done intentionally. The wine storehouse is equipped with small-volume stainless steel vats and a new-generation thermoregulation system. Vinification is carried out via manual cap-punching and the wines are put in barrels by means of a gravitational system. The wine is aged 16 to 18 months in French oak casks.

## **Tasting Notes**

A delight for the palate right from the start. The colour is intense and bright and the aroma has hints of red fruits. It is a full-bodied wine with tannin that will gain strength in time. Complex, well-balanced and deep, 2015-the first vintage of the Château-is a success.

## **Accolades**

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