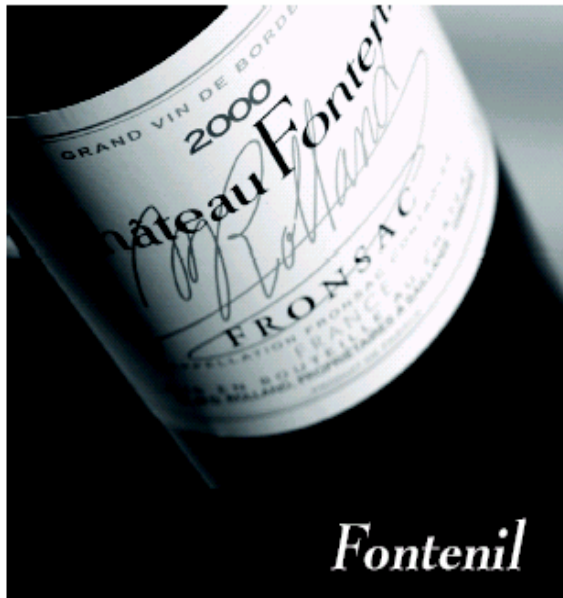


Château Fontenil



- **Grape variety:** 90% Merlot – 10% Cabernet Sauvignon
- **Vineyards:** 9 hectares
- **Age of the vines:** over 40 years
- **Soils:** clay and limestone
- **Harvest:** manually at full ripeness
- **Vinification:**
 - sorted before and after destemming
 - fermentation in small thermoregulated wooden and steel tanks
- **Ageing:** 12 to 15 months in 60% new French oak barrels
- **Production:** 3 300 cases

Dany and Michel Rolland, heirs of a solid wine tradition and oenologists from the University of Bordeaux, knew very well the Fronsac wine region and wanted, after having been consultants of many estates, to make wine and to settle there. Thus, in 1986, they purchased a few hectares of land in the commune of Saillans, overseeing the Isle river and the city of Libourne, within a splendid landscape on a south facing hill: The Château Fontenil had been born