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PHILIPPE NUNES
INTUITIVE AND RATIONAL

BIOGRAPHY

At his side, Philippe Nunes, who accompanied Hubert de Boüard since the beginning of the adventure

A different story, but a similar career explains the attachment between the two men and Philippe Nunes's love of the winegrower's profession. Born the 22 march 1973 in Libourne to Portuguese parents, who were agricultural workers, Philippe Nunes also grew up in surroundings where life was orchestrated around work in the vines and the cellar. He grew up amongst vines and developed 20 years' experience in the Medoc, where what counted for him was effective pruning.

He was destined to become a wine grower and chose to enrich his experience with a scientific education. He won a higher diploma in wine growing and oenology at Blanquefort agricultural school, then studied for his oenology degree at the Bordeaux Faculty of Oenology. His career and the quality of his work have left their mark at Châteaux Cheval Blanc, Margaux, Chasse-Spleen and Clos l'Eglise for Michel Rolland. His technical approach backed up with his scientific knowledge enlighten his understanding and enable him to define precisely all the concerns of an estate.

"Wine is made in the vineyard. You need to feel those vines to understand. Only this noble communion between the work of a winegrower and the soil is what reveals the gifts of nature."

Philippe Nunes really blossomed when he moved to the right bank of the Garonne, where he was able to unite all the values dear to him: a parochial focus, the importance of family and the rich variety in the terroirs on this bank. In 1998, he joined Château La Fleur de Boüard in Lalande de Pomerol as technical manager and started working for HB Consulting in the mid 2000's. His ambition to produce his own wine in an appellation that he was fond of, came to fruition in 2005, when he acquired Clos Bertineau in Montagne Saint-Emilion. Another acquisition followed together with friends, when they bought Château Laurence, a Bordeaux Supérieur located on exceptional clayey limestone and gravelly clay soils. Having become an estate owner, Philippe Nunes has been able to enrich his experience by grappling with the everyday technical and business issues of a winegrowing property. In 2007, Oeno-Lab a scientific laboratory was founded in order to go further in the quest for purity and balance in the soils and wines.

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