



CHATEAU DESTIEUX WINS
THE 5th SAINT-EMILION GRANDS CRUS CHALLENGE
VINEXPO – 17th JUNE 2007



From the left side to the right side:

- Hubert de BOUARD, President of the Saint-Emilion Wine Growers Association
- Jo GRYN, Belgian journalist, initiator of the Saint-Emilion Grands Crus Challenge
- Benoît TROCARD, Clos Dubreuil
- Alain VAUTHIER, Château Moulin Saint-Georges
- Christian DAURIAC, Château Destieux



THE SAINT-EMILION GRANDS CRUS ATTENDING THE CHALLENGE

Aurélius	Château Lavallade
Château Armens	Château Lavallade "Cuvée Roxana"
Château Barde Haut	Château Le Chatelet
Château Béard	Château Le Jurat
Château Bellefont-Belcier	Château Les Gravières
Château Bernateau	Château Mangot
Château Boutisse	Château Mangot "Cuvée Quintessence"
Château Cantenac	Château Milon
Château Cardinal Villemaurine	Château Montlabert
Château Carteau Côtes Daugay	Château Moulin Saint-Georges
Château Clos de Sarpe	Château Palatin
Château Clos des Prince	Château Pas de l'Ane
Château Côte de Baleau	Château Petit Fombrauge
Château Cote Puyblanquet	Château Petit Gravet
Château Coutet	Château Petit Gravet Aîné
Château Croque-Michotte	Château Petit Gravet Marie-Louise
Château De Ferrand	Château Petit Mangot
Château De Fonbel	Château Petit Val
Château De Pressac	Château Piganeau
Château Destieux	Château Pipeau
Château Du Barry	Château Pontet Fumet
Château Du Rocher	Château Pontet Plaisance
Château Du Val d'Or	Château Prieuré La Marzelle
Château Faugères	Château Quercy
Château Fleur Cardinale	Château Roc de Boisseaux
Château Fombrauge	Château Rochebelle
Château Godeau	Château Rochebrune
Château Grand Corbin Manuel	Château Rol Valentin
Château Grands-Champs	Château Rozier
Château Gravet Renaissance	Château Sansonnet
Château Gros Caillou	Château Tour Baladoz
Château Haut Brisson	Château Trapaud
Château Haut Gravet	Château Trianon
Château Haut La Grâce Dieu	Château Valandraud
Château Haut Lavallade	Château Vieux Larmande
Château Haut Saint Brice	Climat du Château Cantenac
Château Haut Troquart La Grâce Dieu	Clos Badon Thunevin
Château Haut-Plantey	Clos de la Cure
Château Haut-Villet	Clos Dubreuil
Château Haut-Villet Cuvée Pomone	Clos l'Abba
Château Jean Voisin	Clos Saint-Julien
Château La Bonnelle	Domaine Chante Alouette Corneil
Château La Commanderie	Gracia
Château La Confession	La Fleur d'Arthus
Château La Couronne	La Fleur du Château Armens
Château La Croizille	La Plagnotte
Château La Fleur	Le Fer
Château La Fleur du Casse	Lynsolence
Château La Fleur Morange	Magrez Fombrauge
Château La Gomerie	Peby Faugères
Château La Grâce Dieu les Menuts	Signature du Clos Saint-Vincent
Château La Révérence	Vieux Château l'Abbaye
Château La Rose Piney	Vieux Château Pelletan

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The fifth **Saint-Emilion Grands Crus Challenge**, organised by the Saint-Emilion Winegrowers' Association took place at Vinexpo for the first time on Sunday 17th June.

Château Destieux won the final against **Château Moulin Saint-Georges**. The semi-finalists were **Château La Croizille** and **Clos Dubreuil**.

Organised by the **Saint-Emilion Winegrowers' Association** and hosted by Belgian journalist Jo GRYN, this, the 5th two-yearly competition, pitted **106 Saint-Emilion Grands Crus** (compared to 92 in the previous Challenge) against each other in a series of two-by-two eliminating rounds in which the competitors' **2003, 2004 and 2005** vintages were compared.

Around a hundred jury-members from all over the world made up of winegrowers, brokers, merchants, specialist wine retailers, sommeliers, œnologists, importers and journalists, took their turn for a three-hour blind tasting in order to chose the most consistent wine. All underlined the quality of the wines entered for this competition.

The results of the 5th Saint-Emilion Grands Crus Challenge were announced after the tasting and the four winners were awarded with a **Riedel "Saint-Emilion"** crystal decanter.

Château Destieux: this 8-hectare (19.7-acre) estate in Saint-Hippolyte with its clayey limestone and siliceous soils, belongs to Christian DAURIAC – Tel. 33 (0)5 57 24 77 44 – E-mail: destieux@free.fr. *Please note that this wine was classified as a Grand Cru Classé in the 2006 Saint-Emilion classification.*

Château Moulin Saint-Georges: Alain VAUTHIER manages this 7-hectare (17.3-acre) estate, which belongs to the family. It is located in Saint-Emilion on a clayey limestone *terroir*. Tel. 33 (0)5 57 24 24 57 – E-mail: chateau.ausone@wanadoo.fr. *Note that Château Moulin Saint-Georges was also a finalist in the 1999 Saint-Emilion Grands Crus Challenge.*

Clos Dubreuil: This 1.4-hectare (3.5-acre) property is owned by Benoît TROCARD. It is located in Saint-Christophe des Bardes and is located on the limestone plateau. Tel. 33 (0)5 57 55 57 92 – E-mail: bt@trocard.com

Château La Croizille: This 1.5-hectare (3.7-acre) property in Saint-Laurent des Combes belongs to Jacques de SCHEPPER, a Belgian. Tel. 33 (0)5 57 88 94 17 – E-mail: contact@de-mour.com

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THE PREVIOUS GRANDS CRUS CHALLENGES

GRANDS CRUS CHALLENGE 2005

Vintages 2001 – 2002 – 2003

92 crus registered

Winner: Château La Gomerie

Finalist: Château Lavallade « Cuvée Roxana »

Semi finalists : Château Bellefont-Belcier et Château Barde-Haut

GRANDS CRUS CHALLENGE 2003

Vintages 1998 – 1999 – 2000

84 crus registered

Winner: Château Rol Valentin

Finalist: Château Quinault l'Enclos

Semi finalists: Château Barde-Haut et Château Destieux

GRANDS CRUS CHALLENGE 2001

Vintages 1996 – 1997 – 1998

68 crus registered

Winner: Château Rochebelle

Finalist: Château De Valandraud

Semi finalists: Château Les Gravières et Château Tour Baladoz

GRANDS CRUS CHALLENGE 1999

Vintages 1995 – 1996 – 1997

83 crus registered

Winner: Château De Valandraud

Finalist: Château Moulin Saint-Georges

Semi finalists: Château Fleur Cardinale et Château Pipeau