TOASTING GUIDE

Toast	Aromatics	Palate	Suitability
CHÂTEAU This classic and elegant Bordeaux toast uses a gradual increase of intense fire for a short period of time.	Complex oak Mocha, espresso Caramel Cedar Balances & integrates well with fruit	Considerable depth showcases the fruit Adds texture Refined, elegant tannins Firm structure Extended, complex finish	Red varietals with extended aging and more structure Suggested aging: 18+ months Classic varietal pairing: Cabernet Sauvignon
CHÂTEAU LONGUE This extended toast begins softly, utilizing a fire that builds in intensity over time to create complexity and highlight even the most powerful wines with subtlety and grace.	Subtle yet complex Preserves the fruit Voluptuous, layered tones Notes of spice	Lively at the front Silky structure and volume Fine tannins lift the fruit Long, defined finish with light spice	Red varietals focused on finesse Suggested aging: 12-18 months Classic varietal pairings: Caberne Sauvignon, Merlot, Red blends
BOURGUIGNONNE A penetrating toast over a moderately high heat for an extended period of time, this expressive toast utilizes a classic Burgundian chapeau towards the end to add subtle smoke aromatics.	Lush & elegant oak Toast, caramel Sweet spice Hints of smoke	Highlights rich, dark fruit Refined structure Plush, rounded mouthfeel Savory complexity Touch of sweet baking spice	Fruit-driven reds and whites Suggested aging: 9-15 months Classic varietal pairings: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Syrah
TRADITIONNELLE This rich, balanced toast uses a moderate fire which starts high and gradually tapers down.	Very versatile Classic, rich oak aromatics Moderate toast: vanilla bean, spice & brown sugar	Balances well with fruit Adds toast, integrated structure Subtle finish	Moderately-aged, balanced reds Suggested aging: 12-18 months Classic varietal pairings: Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Syrah, Zinfandel
TRADITIONNELLE LONGUE This elegant and lush toast is long and gentle, with moderate heat and unvarying temperature until the finale when it peaks.	Fruit focused Soft oak aromatics: lush toast, vanilla, sweet spice Allows delicate fruit and floral notes to shine through	Highlights red fruit Subtle structure and toasty finish Exhibits volume in mouth Complements acidity	Delicate styles showcasing terroi Suggested aging: 12-15 months Classic varietal pairings: Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Zinfandel, Merlot

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AMBRE This flashy, high-impact toast includes a sharp increase in heat at the end to maximize extraction and for a stronger flavor impact.	Very aromatic expression Bright fruit Vanillin	Intense fruit Firm structure Sweetness on the mid-palate	Lush red wines that do not require extended aging Suggested aging: 6-12 months Classic varietal pairings: Sangiovese, Zinfandel, shorter- aged Bordeaux varietals
OPALINE This fruit-focused toast uses a mild fire over a short period of time to soften the wood but retain the essence of the oak.	Light oak Spice and nutmeg Minerality	Complements fresh acidity and citrus flavors Clean finish Firm structure	Whites fashioned for citrus and minerality, emphasizing terroir. Suggested aging: 6-12 months Classic varietal pairings: Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon, Chenin Blanc
HYDRO-DYNAMIQUE Our unique toast builds on the minimal tannin impact of the water- immersion method, removing additional tannin while creating elegant oak aromatics.	Fresh fruit Soft spice	Silky, rounded mouthfeel Long finish	Fruit driven reds and whites Suggested aging: 9-18 months
HYDRO-PURE With freshness as the focus, this low temperature toast continues over an extended period of time to softly toast the oak and preserve fruit vibrancy and freshness.	Vibrant fruit and soft floral notes Peach, apple, watermelon, white and yellow fruits	Freshness, balanced weight and acidity, subtle finish	Fruit driven white wines Suggested aging: 9-18 months Classic varietal pairings: Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon
ESSENCE de CHANTILLY A long and gentle toast with a low toasted impact, emphasizing the fruity character.	Freshness and vivacity Mineral notes Fruity character	Beautiful freshness on the palate Good length and silky texture	Red varietals Suggested aging: 10-15 months Classic varietal pairings: Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon
ESSENCE de MONTPENSIER A long and constant toast done on medium fire to accompany strong and powerful wines.	Well-integrated roasted and woody notes Fruity character Slight spicy notes	Beautiful texture and volume in the mouth Elegantly emphasizes the tannins of the wine	Red varietals Suggested aging: 10-18 months Classic varietal pairings: Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah, Grenache, Mourvèdre