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## **En Primeur 2010 – Day 6 – Palmer, Grand Puy Lacoste, Haut Batailley, Pichon Lalande, Leoville Las Cases, La Mission Haut Brion, Haut Brion**

From Palmer I made my way on to **Chateau Grand Puy Lacoste** where I was greeted by the owner Francois Xavier Borie and his charming assistant Tina Bizard. We were later joined by the wine maker at the chateau, Philippe Gauze, who explained to me that he has been at Grand Puy Lacoste for many years, man and boy. Grand Puy Lacoste has always been a favourite of mine and the 2010 is no exception.



**Lacoste Borie. Second Wine. 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 32% Merlot, 6% Cabernet Franc. Alcohol level 13.4%. Yet again a great colour, good balance of fruit on the nose and in the mouth, very polished tannins and good long length. This is a wine that could be considered good value as it was released last year around 14 euros.**