

Then to our final chateau visit and the future of Montagne-Saint-Emilion.

Young couple Astrid and Dorian had recently purchased CHATEAU ARBO and have worked their socks off to get it back to fine working order, aided by giant mastiff Leon, who looked on proudly.



What was brilliant, other than the amazing strides made in such a short time, was their first wine, CHATEAU ARBO 2016. Made from 88% merlot and 12% cabernet franc, this was a bright and well-made little belter, with crisp fruit and firm tannic structure.