

TECHNICAL SHEET VINTAGE 2022

*The 2022 vintage harvest follows very exceptional summer conditions: four months of dry weather with several heat waves. This has led to the earliest start to the harvest that I have experienced in thirty years of activity (September 8<sup>th</sup>).* 

The 2003 vintage is second, but comparison is not reason, these two vintages only have in common the heat of summer.

In 2022 the vines are surprisingly green on the eve of the harvest, the vines have adapted to the dry summers. The early harvest has enabled the vines to retain a nice "freshness". The usual downtime between Merlot and Cabernet was respected (five days) and what is quite unusual, we finished on September  $23^{rd}$ , the first day of autumn which generally corresponds to the beginning of the harvest.

The quantity is very low, 30% less than a "normal" year, but the quality is superb. And the icing on the cake, after such a hot and dry summer, we could have feared a very high alcohol level, but in the end, with 13°, we remain in line with the last vintages.

*The 2022 offers both balance and complexity, the signs of a great vintage with a very strong ageing potential.* 

HARVEST September 8<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

> DEGREE 13%



BLEND Cabernet Sauvignon : 40% Merlot : 50 % Petit Verdot : 5% Cabernet Franc : 5 %

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