



TECHNICAL SHEET VINTAGE 2009

After 2005, we thought we would have to wait at least another decade for such an exceptional vintage; and now we have the 2009 vintage!

That this is another extraordinary vintage is already a certainty, since, as in 2005 (and even 2000) it has been pleasant from the very beginning. As early as the running-off, it boasted fresh and silky tannins. Patience was the key word though, as it took a long time in the making, well beyond the usual 110 days between mid-veraison and harvesting. Because of water stress (undoubtedly positive for the vines), we had to wait for the berries to be perfectly ripe but it was well worth the wait!

The particularly extended harvesting period started on 24th September with the young Merlots vines and continued from Wednesday 30th September to 2nd October.

In the meantime, the Cabernet grapes continued to ripen in ideal autumnal conditions. Harvesting started on 5th October and lasted over ten days which is quite unusual. The harvest had to be customised to take into account the specific characteristics of each plot.

HARVEST

From September 24th to October 15th, 2009

BOTTLING

June 15th, 2011

DEGREE

13%

BLEND

Cabernet Sauvignon : 70%

Merlot : 30%

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