

vintage

## HARVEST

MERLOT  $24/09 \rightarrow 01/10$ 

**CABERNET SAUVIGNON**  $30/09 \rightarrow 07/10$ 

PETIT VERDOT 02, 05, 06, 08/10

Double-sorting grape harvest (in the vineyard and in the cellar). Gentle vinification adapted to each tank, to extract the best. 18 months maturation in French oak barrels.

#### **BLEND**

 $54_{\%}$  Cabernet Sauvignon  $34_{\% \text{ Merlot}}$ 12 % Petit Verdot

YIELD 44 hl/ha

ALCOHOL 12.95% vol

РН 3.75



CHATEAU MEYNEY Saint-Estèphe

# AUTHENTIC, UNIFYING, ENRICHING, UNIQUE, SURPRISING, TAILORED, HARMONIOUS, RIGOROUS, SELECTIVE, LIVELY.

### THE VINTAGE

2021 was more than a "Winegrower's vintage". It was also a vintage that required selective sorting, due to the many challenges it faced.

The weather conditions seriously tested our morale throughout the growth cycle: a very early bud break due to the mild, very wet winter and a summery start to spring were followed by a particularly cool, rainy summer with relatively little sunshine.

While the Merlot was harvested early despite medium anthocyanin, tannin and sugar potentials, the Cabernet Sauvignon and the Petit Verdot once again took the opportunity to give us a very pleasant surprise. Meticulous sorting of the harvest, management of temperatures and maceration times on a batch-by-batch basis, and the rigorous selection of these batches were essential this year, enabling us to produce a precise, balanced Mevney.

# HISTORY

Saint-Estèphe's prestigious vinevards developed around the Meyney estate. From the middle of the 13th century, the land was managed by Cistercian monks who made it one of the first structured wine-producing properties in the northern Médoc. Long coveted by the wealthy merchants and aristocrats of Bordeaux, the vineyard was returned to the church when Pierre Forthon bequeathed it to the Pères Feuillants in 1625, the official date of the creation of the estate. The term «château» was attached to Meyney by the Luetkens family in the 19th century, when it entered the modern era thanks to a series of inspired women. In 1919, the Cordiers, a powerful family of merchants, acquired the property and developed an international reputation and distribution for Meyney's wines. Since its acquisition by the Crédit Agricole group in 2004, this sleeping beauty has been awakened under the leadership of Anne Le Naour and more recently, Fabien Faget and Thomas Hernandez.

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