

# CHÂTEAU SIRAN VINTAGES

## 2019

"A superb 2019 vintage, impressive in precision and density."

Spared of frost, spared of hail, benefited from a nice flowering in June, this vintage will have still had to face two heat waves, a first at the end of June and a second at the end of July with scorching temperatures, exceeding 40 degrees for a few days tempered by cool nights. The saving rains in September allowed the grapes to reach good maturity. The wine is a great classic Médoc, rich in colour and complexity, powerful and delicate at the same time, silky and soft as the great Margaux wines know how to be.

Harvest: From September 23 to October 11, 2019 Blend: 47% Merlot, 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Petit Verdot and 1% Cabernet Franc. Best in 20-30 years

### 2018

"The 2018 vintage, a victory over nature."

A winter followed by an extremely rainy spring, followed by a hailstorm on July 15 put the harvest at risk. The exceptionally long and hot summer dried out the soil and allowed a beautiful concentration of the grapes, which were picked at perfect maturity during a magnificent autumn. This year, which was full of emotion, produced a great vintage, in line with the 2015 and 2016 vintages.

Harvest: From September 20 to October 13, 2018

Blend: 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, 44% Merlot and 11% Petit Verdot.

Best in 20-30 years

## 2017

"2017, our best vintage in 7 since 1947."

Ah, the years in 7! It seems that you have to go back to 1947 to have a very good year. As with the fruit trees, the vine, spared of the frosts of April 27th and 28th, was abundant and beautiful, presenting itself at the beginning of September with very beautiful, perfectly homogeneous fruit.

Harvest: From September 14 to October 5, 2017

Blend: 46% Merlot, 45% Cabernet Sauvignon and 9% Petit Verdot.

Best in 10-20 years



"A great 2016 vintage, thanks to the miraculous rain in September."

The rains in September unblocked the water stress triggered by a very dry summer. The mildness of the autumn allowed us to reach optimal ripeness for each of the plots and to carry out an "à la carte" harvest. The wines are colourful, dense, rich and have a beautiful volume in the mouth. They are very aromatic, fruity, with rich and melted tannins and a very nice alcohol-acidity balance.

Harvest: From September 26 to October 20, 2016 Blend: 46% Cabernet Sauvignon, 44% Merlot, 9% Petit Verdot and 1% Cabernet Franc. Best in 20-30 years

## 2015

"The 2015 vintage is exceptional in quantity and quality."

From the beginning of September until the end of October, the weather was ideal for the ripening of the grapes: sunny during the day and cool at night. We took place later than expected: we took advantage of this beneficial weather to refine the tannins of the skins. The fruit harvested intact and the wine expressed an aromatic and tasteful purity. The colour is deep, the balance excellent: a reasonable alcoholic degree with a moderate but present acidity. Finally, smooth, velvety tannins and a dense, fresh finish make 2015 a gourmet vintage!

Harvest: From September 17 to October 12, 2015 Blend: 55% Merlot, 38% Cabernet Sauvignon and 7% Petit Verdot. Best in 20-30 years

## 2014

"The 2014 vintage is the fruit of an Indian summer."

From the end of August, sun, light and heat settled in permanently, constituting the longest, hottest and driest Indian summer for 100 years! Maturation took place in exceptional conditions, the plots were picked without any particular stress, depending on the full maturity. The Merlot grapes, at their peak at the end of September, express suppleness, aromatic richness and unctuousness. The Petit Verdots, with their very colourful juices, follow closely and keep a great aromatic freshness. Finally, the Cabernets are concentrated with an ideal balance between aromas and power.

Harvest: From September 24 to October 15, 2014 Blend: 53.5% Merlot, 38% Cabernet Sauvignon and 8.5% Petit Verdot. Best in 15-25 years



#### "A 2013 vintage, born under duress."

The heavy rainfall of this year remain in our memories, it is the two summer months of July and August that make the quality of the vintage. The month of September, punctuated by rainy spells, complicates the harvest. However, the Merlot remain fruity with a structure and a sustained colour, the Petit Verdots and Cabernets have ripe tannins and an acidity that gives a good balance to the wine. The work in the vineyard and in the cellar was certainly rewarded.

Harvest: From September 27 to October 10, 2013

Blend: 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Merlot and 10% Petit Verdot.

Best in 5-15 years

### 2012

#### "A vintage where the freshness of the fruit and elegance are paramount."

Despite the capricious climatology, this vintage is the result of continuous work in the vineyard. Patience and vigilance are the key words on the eve of the harvest. Finally, a great deal of work in sorting the grapes allows us once again to make a wine of excellent quality that is faithful to the Médoc terroir and Siran's identity, elegant and long-lasting.

Harvest: From October 1 to October 16, 2012

Blends: 55% Merlot, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Petit Verdot.

Best in 10-20 years

## 2011

#### "One of the most typical vintages of the Bordeaux style."

In spite of an atypical climate, in particular a strong hydric deficit, the extremely early harvest took place in good conditions. A good selection in the winery allowed us to remove the grapes that had withered and been damaged by the heat. Fortunately, the wine turned out to be a very colourful, very aromatic wine with a beautiful tannic structure, worthy of the Bordeaux style.

Harvest: From September 8 to September 27, 2011

Blend: 52% Merlot, 36% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Petit Verdot

and 1% Cabernet Franc.

Best in 10-20 years



#### "A vintage worthy of the pantheon of the greatest vintages."

The harvest went perfectly with magnificent grapes right up to the end of picking, with record high sugar levels. The vintage's aromatic potential was marvelously revealed during the vinification. A generous and structured wine which with time will allow its delicacy to express itself.

Harvest: From September 22 to October 8, 2010

Blend: 46% Merlot, 43% Cabernet Sauvignon and 11% Petit Verdot.

Custody: 20-30 years

## 2009

#### "A masterpiece of nature!"

Maturation took place over a long period of time with excellent sunshine conditions and alternating hot days and cool nights. These ideal harvesting conditions allow us to pick the grapes at our own pace and without constraint. Harvested at perfect maturity, the musts are fresh, fruity, tannic and dense, the wines will be rich and balanced. We hold a great year.

Harvest: From September 21 to October 7, 2009

Blend: 48% Merlot, 45% Cabernet Sauvignon and 7% Petit Verdot.

Best in 20-30 years

### 2008

#### "A late vintage that reveals the authenticity of the terroir."

Yet another year that had started with difficulties: frost, hail, a summer with little sunshine. Luckily starting in September, a magnificent late season saved the vintage. The harvest began on the last day of the month for the Merlot and around October 12<sup>th</sup> for the Cabernets. Siran's southern terroir enabled the harvesting of healthy, ripe grapes and the production of a fruity, powerful and elegant wine with a complexity worthy of the great Siran wines.

Harvest: From September 30 to October 16, 2008

Blend: 54% Merlot, 33% Cabernet Sauvignon and 13% Petit Verdot.

Best in 10-15 years



### "A vintage with a happy ending."

At the beginning of September, the summer heat finally settled in with a dry climate and cool nights, allowing us to wait for good ripening conditions for the harvest and compensating for the months of July and August which were cooler and wetter than usual. The considerable efforts made in the vineyard during this gloomy summer were decisive for the health of the harvest. The wine is already pleasurable but also capable of ageing.

Harvest: From September 27 to October 11, 2007

Blend: 49% Merlot, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon and 16% Petit Verdot.

Best in 10 years

### 2006

#### "A vintage with a unique character."

This relatively early harvest can be explained by a capricious weather factors with a very hot and dry July followed by a particularly cold August. Fortunately, an ideal month of September enabled us to obtain a good ripening and excellent harvesting conditions. It is these complex years that magnify the early soil of Siran and all the work in the vineyard before the harvest, resulting in a wine with aromas of red fruit, direct and powerful on the palate, still very soft and velvety with good persistence.

Harvest: From September 18 to October 4, 2006

Blend: 52% Merlot, 32% Cabernet Sauvignon and 16% Petit Verdot.

Best in 15-20 years

## 2005

"An exceptional well-balance vintage."

In the Bordeaux region, 2005 was an exceptional year, and will probably be in the line of 45, 61 and 82. The Siran 2005 is a refined wine, with a delicate nose, elegant on the palate, with notes of red fruits and silky tannins.

Harvest: From September 14 to October 5, 2005

Blend: 51% Merlot, 34% Cabernet Sauvignon and 15% Petit Verdot.

Best in 20-25 years



### "A fine vintage, very marked Margaux."

The 2004 is a classic Bordeaux vintage resulting from normal to favourable climatic conditions. The late harvest, thanks to ideal weather conditions in September and October, produced an abundance of magnificent grapes with a beautiful maturity. The new sorting table installations enabled the grapes to be selected with the utmost rigour. The wine is fleshy, supple, with a beautiful tannic structure and a certain roundness. Its evolution is promising.

Harvest: From September 29 to October 20, 2004

Blend: 50% Merlot, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon and 15% Petit Verdot.

Best in 10-15 years

### 2003

"A great vintage born of exceptional climatic conditions."

Thanks to the exceptional weather conditions this summer, the harvest was also exceptional, comparable in quality to that of 1982. The great heat of the summer followed by very mild weather during the harvest allowed all the grape varieties to reach optimal maturity. Great elegance of the tannins, aromatic freshness of the red fruit notes as well as a beautiful suppleness characterize this exceptional vintage.

Harvest: From September 10 to September 24, 2003 Blend: 46% Merlot, 34% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Petit Verdot and 7% Cabernet Franc. Best in 15-20 years

## 2002

"A solar and complex vintage."

The quality of this vintage is linked to the climatic conditions of September and October which allowed the grapes to reach their full maturity. The low yields and the constant and meticulous work of the team contributed to produce a great wine, rich, concentrated, powerful, balanced and very elegant.

Harvest: From September 27 to October 16, 2002

Blend: 61% Merlot, 32% Cabernet Sauvignon and 7% Petit Verdot.

Best in 10-15 years



"A typically Margaux vintage, with finesse and elegance."

A year that began with rather gloomy weather in the Bordeaux vineyard, 2001 speaks of the strength of its terroir and the ability of the Siran team to produce a good wine. The climatic conditions in October made it possible to pick the grapes at maturity. The result is a pleasant and elegant wine with a dense and harmonious structure. It is a true Margalais vintage.

Harvest: From October 1 to October 8, 2001

Blend: 47% Merlot, 40% Cabernet Sauvignon and 13% Petit Verdot.

Best in 10-15 years

### 2000

"The famous vintage with the three zeros is a great success."

Excellent weather conditions, a hot and dry August prolonged by an exceptional autumn, allowed each grape variety in the vineyard to be harvested at a very good degree of ripeness. The wine is dense, elegant, of a superb ruby colour, with a complex nose, aromas of red fruits and a great tannic richness.

Harvest: From September 25 to October 10, 2000

Blend: 54% Merlot, 28% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Petit Verdot

and 6% Cabernet Franc. Best in 15-25 years

## 1999

"The last vintage of the century."

The earliness of the harvest due to a very fine month of August, combined with major work on the vines during the summer, generated a high sugar and tannin content and a very good level of aroma. Dark and dense in colour, both powerful and elegant, Siran 99 will be a great wine even better for the patient wine lover.

Harvest: From September 21 to September 30, 1999

Blend: 54% Merlot, 36% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Petit Verdot.

Best in 15-25 years



### "A very attractive vintage, certainly a great wine to keep."

Thanks to the excellent constitution of the grapes, which benefited from a particularly hot and sunny August, and significant deleafing and crop thinning, the Merlot and Cabernet grapes produced their best fruit. The wine is powerful, well-balanced, of an intense colour with elegant tannins, fruity aromas and a velvety texture.

Harvest: From September 28 to October 7, 1998 Blend: 48% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot and 12% Petit Verdot. Best in 10-20 years

## 1997

#### "A harmonious vintage marked by Petit Verdot."

Good management of the vineyard with major deleafing and crop thinning, aided by a magnificent month of September and a very rigorous selection of the grapes have made it possible to make a wine of great elegance, with aromas of red fruit and silky tannins. The Petit Verdot grapes, particularly successful in Siran this year, explain their important part in the blend.

Harvest: From September 12 to September 26, 1997 Blend: 51% Merlot, 24% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Petit Verdot and 10% Cabernet Franc. Best in 10-15 years

## 1996

#### "A beautiful vintage, powerful and concentrated."

Despite rain in September, the harvest took place in excellent conditions, both for the Merlot, ripe before the rain, and for the Sauvignon grapes harvested after the rain. The wine is rich, dense with spicy and complex aromas. All the characteristics predict a harmonious evolution with time.

Harvest: From September 24 to October 8, 1996 Blend: 46% Cabernet Sauvignon, 34% Merlot, 12% Petit Verdot and 8% Cabernet Franc. Best in 15-25 years



#### "A great vintage to keep."

The early harvest, which took place in very good conditions, enabled us to pick grapes, both Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon, which had reached perfect maturity. The result is a wine with great tannic richness and remarkable fruit, being also well structured, concentrated and aromatic.

Harvest: From September 19 to October 4, 1995 Blend: 43% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot, 13% Petit Verdot and 7% Cabernet Franc. Best in 15-25 years

## 1994

### "A vintage saved by its precocity."

The 1994 harvest was delicate. It was a combination of elements including a very fine summer, a good constitution of the grapes, their early ripening, but also a quick picking, a rigorous sorting and a careful vinification, which allowed us to face a deterioration of the weather in September. In the end, the wine has a complex nose dominated by notes of ripe fruit and a mouth supported by beautiful tannins.

Harvest: From September 13 to September 24, 1994 Blend: 57% Merlot, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Petit Verdot and 7% Cabernet Franc. Best in 15-20 years

## 1993

#### "A nice surprise despite the difficult conditions!"

The old adage: "August makes the must" has once again come true. The sun of August thickened the skins of the grapes, making them more resistant to the September rains. The thinning out of the grapes during the summer and the care during the vinification process produced a beautiful wine, with a beautiful colour, concentrated, fruity aromas and a good length in the mouth.

Harvest: From September 22 to October 2, 1993 Blend: 67% Merlot, 18% Petit Verdot, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, and 10% Cabernet Franc. Best in 10-15 years



### "A delicate vintage."

In spite of difficult climatic conditions, a careful sorting and delicate vinification allowed the production of a well-structured and balanced wine. A light, fresh and well-constituted wine, with a pleasant nose, to be drank quickly.

Harvest: From September 28 to October 12, 1992

Blend: 51% Merlot, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Petit Verdot and 9% Cabernet Franc. Best in 10-15 years

## 1991

#### "Spring frosts limit quantity but not quality."

On April 21, 1991, a terrible frost hit the Siran vineyard coupled with very selective sorting reducing the harvest to 25% of a normal year. Spring frosts limit quantity but not quality. The wine has a beautiful smoky ruby-garnet colour, an intense nose of fruits and warm spices, a refined mouth with a good length.

Harvest: From September 30 to October 9, 1991

Blend: 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot, 7% Petit Verdot and 3% Cabernet Franc. Best in 15-20 years

## 1990

#### "One of the best Siran in the last 10 years."

The remarkable climatic conditions have produced a very well-balanced wine, with a very good aromatic richness. conditions have produced a very well-balanced wine, with a very good aromatic richness. The mouth is powerful and very concentrated with beautiful ripe, round tannins, the finish is very long. The wine is very elegant.

Harvest: From September 17 to September 28, 1990

Blend: 45% Merlot, 43% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot and 2% Cabernet Franc. Best in 15-25 years

## 1989

### "A very great vintage announced as the vintage of the century!"

All the conditions were in place to make a great wine. Grapes with a splendid constitution gave a wine marked by exceptional tannic power, well harmonized by the natural alcoholic richness and lively aromas evoking a perfectly ripe and healthy grape.

Harvest: From September 8 to 30 September 30, 1989

Blend: 45% Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Merlot, 15% Petit Verdot and 5% Cabernet Franc. Best in 15-25 years



## "A vintage of long ageing."

Beautiful harvest after a great summer. Dark in colour, 1988 is a wine with intense aromas, both sweet and fresh with hints of ripe fruit. Very solid, concentrated and fleshy on the palate. Its tasty tannic finish is the guarantee of an excellent longevity.

Harvest: From September 27 to October 7, 1988

Blend: 45% Merlot, 43% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot

and 2% Cabernet Franc.

Best in 20-30 years

## 1987

### "A fine vintage."

Small production due to two weeks of rain during the harvest. Merlot grapes harvested before the rain and a lot of care has produced a nice vintage. With a beautiful intense cherry red colour, the wine is aromatic wine, fine and elegant, ready to drink almost immediately.

Harvest: From October 2 to October 10, 1987. Blend: 51% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Petit Verdot and 2% Cabernet Franc. Best in 10-20 years

## 1986

### "Very good success for the vintage."

This harvest is a success for 70% luck and 30% know-how. The wine has a deep colour and is marked by a high proportion of Cabernet Sauvignon with notes of plum pit and a powerful and supple structure. A perfectly balanced wine that is both structured and full of charm.

Harvest: From October 1 to October 17, 1986 Blend: 47% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Merlot, 12% Cabernet Franc and 11% Petit Verdot. Best in 15-25 years