

Château Olivier Red 2021

Pessac Léognan

Cru Classé de Graves



HARVESTS :

From September 27th to October 11th.
Handpicked into small crates.

BLEND :

Cabernet Sauvignon 55%, Merlot 40%,
Petit Verdot 5%

ANALYSIS :

Degree : 13,1°
Yields : 40 HL/HA

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Following a mild and rainy winter, budding was even and regular, occurring early on around 21 March. Spring was marked by episodes of frost on 7 and 8 April. Once again this year, the frost barely affected our vine plots, which enjoy natural protection against overly large climatic variations. Spring was rather cool overall (the average temperature in May was 1.5°C below the ten-year average).

Despite a relatively dry start to the spring, heavier rainfall in May and low temperatures negated the early start to the growing cycle. Flowering began on 24 May for the Merlot and the Cabernet Sauvignon, then 29 May for the Petit Verdot, and took place in excellent weather conditions that were dry and warm for the season. Between mid-June and mid-July, storms across the Bordeaux vineyards increased the pressure from downy mildew, which was managed well by our teams.

Mid-veraison was around 11 July for the Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon, and began on 9 August for the Petit Verdot. This was followed by four weeks of dry weather in August, producing water stress that enhanced the quality of our gravel soils.

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The harvests began on 27 September with the first Merlot. The Cabernet Sauvignon was brought in between 5 and 11 October. The Petit Verdot was harvested on 7 October.

TASTING

A beautiful crimson colour. On the nose, mint aromas mingle with black fruit (blackcurrant and blackberry), creating freshness and richness. The wine is clean in the attack with the rounded, fruity Merlot offering a gourmet touch. Thanks to the Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot, the mid-palate is compact and the finish is lingering and hugely seductive.

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VINEYARD

Area : 60 hectares / Soils : Gravels (50%), clay-limestone (35%) and sands (15%)

Varieties : Cabernet Sauvignon (40%), Merlot (58%), Petit Verdot (2%)

Average Age : 25 years