



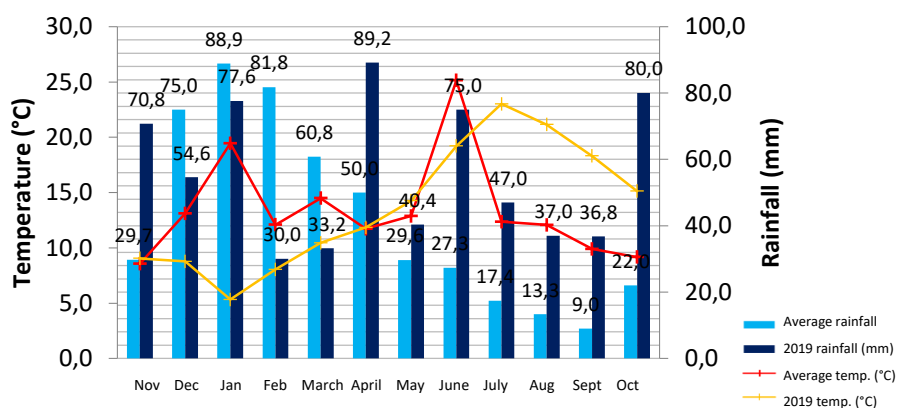
## PRESENTATION OF THE VINTAGE

### 2019, unprecedented vintage!

The year 2019 was marked by a succession of climatic events which made this vintage quite technical. After an early budbreak, we had a cold and wet Spring which led to a late flowering of the vines. This took place in rather cool and rainy weather leading to coulure and millerandage, most notably on some plots of Merlot. The heat wave then took over at the end of June with a particularly hot and dry July. The vineyard resisted rather well to the drought and to the hydric stress which rapidly took hold. The unexpected rain at the end of July enabled the full completion of veraison.

Harvesting of the white grapes began on September 3rd. The cool nights of early September preserved the aromas and the freshness in the grapes and ensured a perfect state of health. The red harvest also took place in ideal climatic conditions from mid-September for the Merlot. The light rains in mid-September allowed a slow and perfect ripeness of the Cabernet Sauvignon which was entirely vinified in the new vat room and which represents more than 2/3 of the blend.

### Temperature/Rainfall 2019



#### Vine cycle:

- Bud Break: March 18<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>
- Flowering: May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 9<sup>th</sup>  
(full flower on June 3<sup>rd</sup>)
- Fruit Set: June 23<sup>rd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>
- Mid-veraison: July 29<sup>th</sup> to August 18<sup>th</sup>

## CHÂTEAU LATOUR-MARTILLAC WHITE 2019

**Harvest:** Sauvignon: 3<sup>rd</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> of September

Sémillon: 4<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> of September

**Blending:** 58% Sauvignon 42% Sémillon

**Ageing:** 25% new oak

**Yield:** 50 hl/ha

**Analysis:** TAV: 13.8% vol ; AT: 4.4 ; Ph: 3.18

**Back label: 13.5% vol**

The Sauvignon is fresh, tonic and aromatic, characterized by notes of white peach, citrus and exotic fruits. The palate is well-balanced, with delicious, juicy fruit. The Sémillon adds density, volume and elegance thanks to aromas of apricot and fresh verbena.

## CHÂTEAU LATOUR-MARTILLAC RED 2019

**Harvest:** Merlot: 19<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> of September

Petit Verdot: 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> of October

Cabernet Sauvignon: 30<sup>th</sup> of September to 11<sup>th</sup> of October

**Blending:** 72% Cabernet Sauvignon 20% Merlot 8% Petit Verdot

**Ageing:** 40% new oak

**Yield:** 45 hl/ha

**Analysis:** TAV: 14.2% vol ; AT: 3.36 ; Ph: 3.70

Anthocyanes: 800 mg/l ; IPT : 71

**Back label: 14.5% vol**

The Merlot is fruity, soft and delicately silky. The Petit Verdot has a tighter character, with notes of blueberries and spices; the tannins are powerful and the finish is fresh and juicy. The Cabernet Sauvignon - the majority of the blend - is outstanding and particularly aromatic (blackcurrant, cashew). The latter offers a roundness and a sensation of sweetness in the mouth evolving to powerful and velvety tannins which lend this blend much elegance and character.