

## THE AZORES of CARRUADES 2024

A much-loved stopover for sailors before their Transatlantic crossing, the Azores are an archipelago of 9 islands, often protected by a magical high-pressure zone.

For Carruades 2024, we join them on a dashing Ketch, a two-masted boat that requires twice as much precision and anticipation to balance in difficult weather. Like a navigator bent over his nautical charts, Louis knows each of these islands of terroir like the back of his hand: his mission was to help these parcels progress! Sharp trajectories, skillful pruning, he kept a firm grip on the helm of their ripeness despite the rough weather.

When it came to blending, it was all hands on deck: our old Merlots on clay, Barrat 71 and Vieux Gandau 56, tireless and always charming, with our 4 fantastic plots ones on gravel. They were joined by the inevitable Cabernet franc of Passe-temps 62 and two fine Cabernet-Sauvignons, Tournât 91 and Vigneron 82. Once blended, these 9 parcels that make up the heart of Carruades revealed themselves even more.

Unity is strength!

### **Blend :**

45% Cabernet-Sauvignon,  
47% Merlot,  
6% Cabernet franc,  
2% Petit Verdot

### **Budburst :** 2nd April

**Mid-Flowering :** 9th June

**Mid-Véraison :** 7th August

### **Harvest :**

23rd September to 7th October

