

# . GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855. PAUTILLAC

# Vintage 2013



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Owners
General director
Director
Vineyard manager
Wine maker
Consultant oenologists

Area of the property Area in production Vineyard density Vineyard average age Terroir Grace varieries Françoise et Jacky Lorenzetti Emmanuel Cruse Vincent Bache-Gabrielsen

Cyril Petit Gérald Verrac

Eric Boissenot & Christophe Coupez

46 ha 46 ha

 $8\,500\,\mathrm{to}\,10\,000\,\mathrm{vine}\,\mathrm{stocks}$ 

35 years old

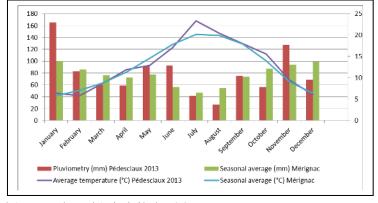
Peyrosols (gravely soils on clay)

47% Cabernet Sauviguon, 48% Merlot, 3% Petit Verdot & 2% Cabernet Franc

### A capricious weather

Regular rainfalls and fresh temperatures caused a delay of the vegetative cycle. After a homogeneous disbudding, unfortunately, the flowering happened during the last two weeks of June...under the rain! Those meteorological conditions provide flower abortion and shot berries, resulting in a significant low yield. Fortunately, thanks to the beautiful weather of July and August (hot and dry), we could catch up with the delay and have quite ideal maturity for the berries.

Meteorological datas - Château Pédesclaux station - Vintage2013



Pluviometry annual accumulation (mm) Pédesclaux : 946 mm

Pluviometry annual accumulation (mm) Mérignac : 923 mm



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#### A custom-made vineyard management

To get an optimal maturity of the berries and moreover to evict their degradation by the botrytis, the vines were very carefully trated. The "green works" were essential to preserve the sanitary level of the crop, especially the careful leave removals of both sides of the grape.

#### An intense harvest

September did not offer any break. Indeed, bot temperatures and a constant humidity led to a rapid evolution of botrytis. The reactivity of our team was a real advantage. In fact, we could pick in a short time: we began with the Merlots on September  $30^{111}$  2013 and we finished with the Cabernets on October  $9^{111}$  2013.

# A precise winemaking

Thanks to the gravity tank filling and a gentle controlled extraction, we had wines with an intense color and very fine tannins enhancing with 50% new barrels.

2013 was a real challenge! Our exceptional terroirs have produced excellent Cabernets Sauvignons and Cabernets Francs, the merlots are also remarkable. The beautiful quality of our wine transcends the difficulty of this vintage. Château Pédesclauxis very aromatic and complex and exhibits a good balance of fresh fruits and elegant tannins.

#### Château Pédesclaux 2013 blending

53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 43% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc

Yield: 33 Hl/ha

#### Analysis

Alcohol (% vol): 12.96°

Total acidity (gH2SO4/L): 3.6

pH: 3.50

Index of total polyphenols: 73

