

In the vineyard

Born under the lucky star of the '9

A sweet, dry winter on the whole, a contrasting spring followed by a very hot summer with some heatwaves in July and a fine harvest, sum up the weather conditions for 2019.

The end of the exceptionally warm winter led to early budburst at the end of March. Uneven spring weather, with particularly cool April and May, causes the vines to lose their lead. Tronquoy's early-ripening terroirs favoured rapid, uniform flowering in just a few days. The first signs of veraison appeared on 30 July.

The hot summer was marked by a scorching July, making 2019 one of the hottest years of the decade. Once again, our clay gravel soils proved their ability to cope with drought. Finally, the saving rains at the end of August and mid-September kick-started the ripening process and helped the grapes to concentrate beautifully.

The harvest took place in good weather conditions. In the cellar, the grapes showed their full potential, heralding a great vintage. The juices quickly released their dense colours, auguring great concentration. The acidity/sugar ratio is very good and fermentation is proceeding normally. Gentle extractions are preserving the quality and elegance of the tannins. 2019 is taking shape in a precise style, in the fine tradition of the great '9" vintages.



Tasting notes

A deep red colour.

The nose reveals lovely notes of ripe red fruit, sublimated by mellow oak. The attack is frank and greedy, followed by fine concentration. The finish is long and lingering, with silky, elegant tannins.

A wine to be enjoyed in its youth and gains in elegance after few years of ageing.

Climatology

- Winter: sweet and dry
- Spring: irregular, with a particularly cool April and May
- Summer: very hot, with a scorching July
- Autumn: sweet and rainy

Key dates

- Bud burst: March 27th
- Flowering : June 3rd
- Veraison: August 8th
- Harvest: September 19th to October 8th

Blend

- Merlot: 50%
- Cabernet Sauvignon: 44%
- Petit Verdot: 6%

Indicators

- ABV: 14,5%
- pH: 3,78
- TA: 3,25
- IPT: 85
- Yields: 44hl/ha

