

## In the Vineyard

The year 2022 is marked by low rainfall for several months and temperatures regularly exceeding the seasonal norms. Thus, the climatic hazards push the vineyard to draw on its resources to protect itself.

The year began with a significant water deficit compared to 2021. This mild and dry climate in February-March favored an early bud break at the end of March. The temperatures of the nights of April 3, 4 and 5 were negative and caused some damage on the buds of the vines and on the complants. The rest of the Tronquoy vineyard was spared. During the week of May 23, flowering is generalized on all Tronquoy's grape varieties. The flowering takes place quickly and is homogeneous on all the grape varieties. The grapes reach a reasonable size at the beginning of June. The berries grow quickly and the vines are vigorous.

Rarely has a sanitary state been so healthy at this period. A hail storm hit the vineyard on the evening of June 20th. This violent storm caused damage to the bunches and a loss of yield of around 20% on the plateau and 30% on the Petit Verdot grape variety.

The exceptionally hot and dry summer favored an early budding from mid-July. The beginning of the veraison was late because the vines were blocked. It turned out to be fast and homogeneous once it started on July 29th, almost 10 days ahead of time. Technological maturity was reached particularly early on the Merlots, at the end of August. The rains of August and the alternation of warm days and cool nights allowed the grapes to reach optimal ripeness in early September. The high temperatures and the lack of water gave small but very healthy and qualitative berries. The harvest took place in perfect conditions, a successful maturity was observed on all the grape varieties. The Merlots were harvested from September 7th, followed closely by the Cabernet Sauvignons. The Petits Verdots conclude the harvest on September 23rd.



## Tasting

The 2022 vintage promises to be extremely successful, in a pure and clean style, perfectly reflecting the best the Tronquoy terroir can produce. With a remarkable concentration and complexity on the palate, the very present fruit brings a generous note. Particularly harmonious, the finish stretches in length. In line with the greatest successes of the decade such as 2010 and 2016, 2022 marks a new exemplary chapter in the history of the cru.

## Climatology

- Winter: mild, light rains
- Spring: dry with an episode of hail at the end of June
- Summer: very hot with temperatures above the average
- Autumn: hot and dry

## Key dates

- Bud burst: March 28th
- Flowering: May 20th
- Veraison: July 29th
- Harvest: September 7th to 23th

## Blend

- Cabernet Sauvignon: 59%
- Merlot: 35%
- Petit Verdot: 6%

## Indicators

- TAV/ ABV: 14.5
- pH: 3.80
- AT/TA: 3.5
- IPT: 89
- Yield: 37hl/ha

