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Saint-Émilion Grand Cru



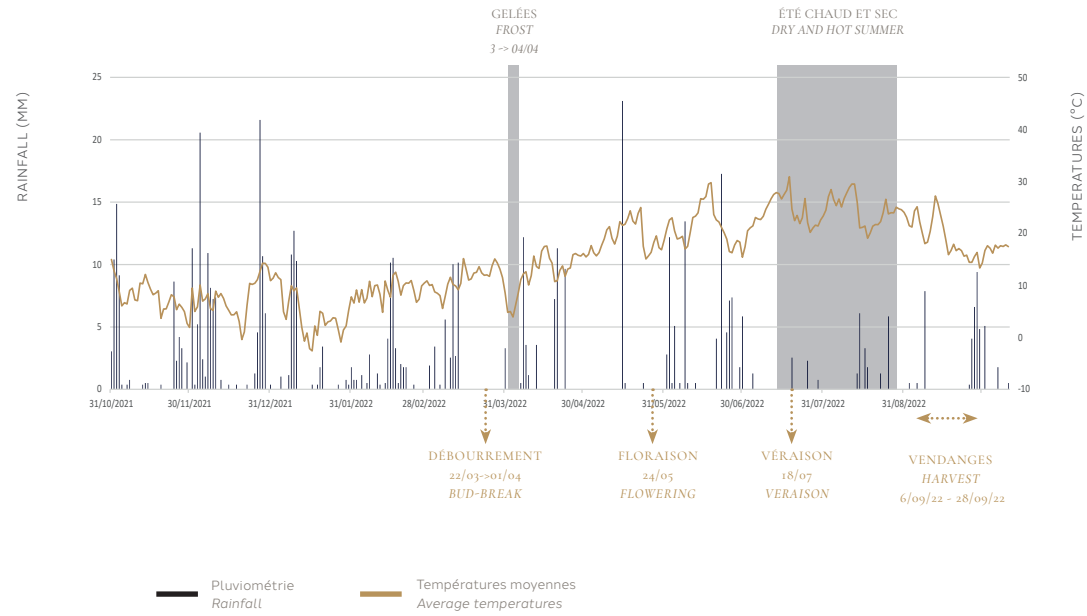
After a mild and dry winter, bud-break in the vines took place at an early date and during a period of spring frosts, which were kept at bay by carefully-adapted anti-frost strategies across the whole of the vineyard. A mild spring followed with intermittent rainstorms which delivered just the right amount of water to the vines and soils. Fruit set went quickly and in excellent conditions and promised an abundant crop. When the hot, dry summer weather arrived, substantial adjustments were made to the cover crops in the rows, which enabled to maintain up the moisture and cool temperatures of the clay soils till the end of August, in spite of the high temperatures. The vines never lacked water throughout the summer, and at the end of August, two night-time storms provided some relief for the vines and replenished the soils. The summer of 2022 bore an incredibly close resemblance to those great summers that followed the Second World War, and which produced the outstanding 1945, 1947 and 1949 vintages. In mid October, the vine, that astonishing Mediterranean plant, still displayed a deep green colour, demonstrating its perfect adaptation within the great vine-growing terroirs.

The extraordinary and surprising summer of 2022 revealed the resilience of the Angelus terroir and its Cabernet Franc vines. The root system of these vines, which are almost a hundred years old, provides the plant with an uninterrupted supply of water and produces wines of immense aromatic freshness, their richness and complexity supported by dense tannins that are silkier than cashmere.

BLEND 100% Cabernet Franc

HARVEST September 6 to 28

WEATHER CONDITIONS



IN SUPPORT OF A SUSTAINABLE VINEYARD

At Angelus, the terroirs are the result of a perfect balance between climate, soils, water reserves, vines and the people working there. Maintaining this balance, preserving the long-term future of the vineyard and its environment, optimising resources and enhancing biodiversity are central to our daily work. This concern for the environment gave rise to our commitment to virtuous and responsible farming.

BRINGING LIFE TO THE SOILS

Grass cover crops in the rows
Natural de-compacting of the soils
Mycorrhizal development
Ecological surface nests
and support for airborne insect life

INDIVIDUALISED VINEYARD PRACTICES

Pruning methods that respect the flow of the sap
Spraying to prevent disease
Adapted thinning-out of shoots
Early de-leafing and crop thinning

ENHANCING BIODIVERSITY

Planting hedgerows and trees around our vineyard plots
Limiting inputs and proliferation of pests
Establishment of polyculture



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