



2020 vintage

The 209th vintage of the Despaigne family on the Grand Corbin terroir.

The beginning of harvesting period:

- 10/09/2020 : Young Merlot
- 14/09/2020 : Merlot
- 21/09/2020 : Cabernets

Blending 2020 :

- 75% Merlot
- 24% Cabernet-Franc
- 1% Cabernet-Sauvignon

Ageing :

- 50 % new barrels
- 50% one year old barrels

Yield: 36 hl/ha

Production forecats: 88 000 bottles

Alcohol by vol: 14,8% vol

PH : 3,68

Total Acidity: 3,20

Technical data

Family-owned estate since 1812

Location: in the north of the Saint-Emilion appellation, adjacent to Pomerol

Appellation: Saint-Emilion Grand Cru

Classification: Grand Cru Classé

Surface area: 28,79 hectares

Terroir: Siliceous-clay over iron deposits and ancient sands over blue clay

Grape varieties: 75% Merlot, 24% Cabernet Franc and 1% Cabernet Sauvignon.

Average age of the vineyard: 38 years old

Rootstocks: 101-14, 3309, Riparia

Density of vine plantation: 6,000 to 8,000 vines per hectare

Vine-growing methods: ploughing or a grass cover crop without any use of weedkillers.

Certified as organically-farmed and an organic wine since 2013 by Qualisud FR-BIO-16.

Canopy management practices: de-budding, removal of double buds, de-leafings, crop thinning, de-suckering (lateral shoots)

Harvesting: manual with 5 consecutive sortings

Average yield: 35 to 40 hl/ha

Vinification: different operations that can vary according to plot batches and vintage: numerous short pump-overs, rack and return (delestage), punching down of the cap (pigeage).

Bottling: 21 months after the harvest

Annual production: 70,000 to 100,000 bottles depending on the vintage

Second wine: Petit Corbin-Despaigne