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The 2020 growing season started 10 days earlier and ended 20 days earlier, compared to 2019. It wasn't so much the heatwaves, as much as it being consistently warm to hot, with no cool weather breaks. In terms of weather conditions during harvest, we had our first and only real aggressive heatwave of the harvest season, first week of September, after that heatwave, we had consistent hot days which resulted in a fast harvest, with hardly any breaks, picking day after day.

In terms of style, the 2020 vintage is reminding me a lot of vintages like 2012, 2014 and 2016 which I like to describe as a "California" style vintage. What I mean by that is, we get a lot of fruit and fruit but also a lot of pleasure. Throughout the lineup though you still have this incredible balance, nice acidity, lots of brightness, velvet texture and long finish. – Chloe Asseo, Co-Owner/General Manager

"We had a nice crop for each varietal and even though everything is showing beautifully, I will say that the Mourvèdre and Grenache have amazed me the most for 2020. And let me tell you... to have these two grapes at the top of their game proves that the vintage is super nice and that the vines are older and better" – Stephan Asseo, Owner/Winemaker