



### MARGAUX

# The cycle of the vine

After a cold, wet winter, bud break took place on  $23^{rd}$  April. Growth was fast and uniform. Flowering began on  $16^{th}$  May, making 2023 somewhat early compared to other years. May and June were both relatively dry months. Veraison began for our Merlot plots on  $7^{th}$  July.

### An ever-changing forecast

The month that followed was very mixed, with an average temperature of 20.8°C. The second half of the month was cooler, making up for the heat of the beginning of the month. August was more clement, offering slightly higher temperatures than the seasonal average. September continued in the same vein with almost uninterrupted sunshine, marked notably by eight consecutive days of hot, dry weather

An early harvest

From 18/09 to 22/09: Merlot

20/09: Malbec

26/09: Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot

From 25/09 to 02/10: Cabernet Sauvignon

The harvest took place in the sunshine, a little earlier than usual. It was punctuated by a few rain showers on 21st and 22nd September, which played their part in bringing the Cabernet Sauvignons to complete maturity.

An enchanting vintage

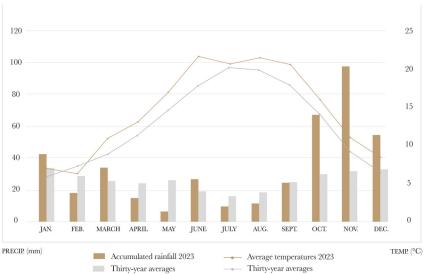
Pure aromas with beautifully dense fruit. The 2023 is a vintage that shows great promise.

#### CLIMATIC CONDITIONS

## BLENDS AND ANALYSES

Temperature and precipitation levels in Margaux, compared to seasonal norms

Château d'Issan 2023



Blends and chemical properties

BLENDS	CH. D'ISSAN	BLASON D'ISSAN
Cabernet Sauvignon	70%	49%
Merlot	25%	48%
Cabernet Franc	2,5%	•
Malbec		3%
Petit Verdot	2,5%	
New barrels	50%	35%
Proportion First and second wine	50%	50%
CHEMICAL PROPERTIES	CH. D'ISSAN	BLASON D'ISSAN
Alcohol	13.83	13.94
Acidity	3.52	3.88
Ph	3.66	3.50
TPI	72	69

