

«L'ÉCLATANT»

2017

CHÂTEAU ANGELUS **2017**

Saint-Émilion Grand Cru

2017 at Angelus is both harmonious and bursting with fruit flavour.



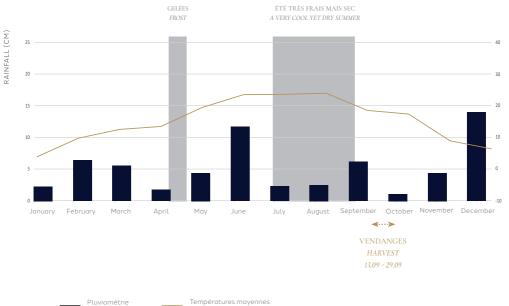
After a very favourable start to the growing season with a very early bud-break, the vine cycle was delayed at the end of April by a frost which hit the Bordeaux region very severely. At Angelus, where nature was kind, we were mostly spared this sad episode. However, over the small area affected by the frost, substantial selection work was carried out.

The rest of the season went wonderfully smoothly with an excellent flowering, followed by a very hot month of June which boosted the vines' energy levels and gave them the strength they needed to develop high quality grapes. A quite cool but dry summer allowed the grapes to ripen slowly and evenly, which favoured fresh fruit aromatic expression. The end of summer weather was a little rainy; however, with the grapes already ripe we decided to begin harvesting on September 13th!

The wines have deep colour, while on the nose they show immediate charm and pure aromatics bursting with fruit. On the palate, the tannins are tight-grained and silky, precise and in good balance with flesh and great freshness that brings energy and mouth-watering length of flavour.

BLEND 70 % Merlot, 30 % Cabernet Franc HARVEST September 13th to 29th

WEATHER CONDITIONS



Rainfall

Average temperatures

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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