

# N°3 D'ANGELUS 2017

Saint-Émilion Grand Cru



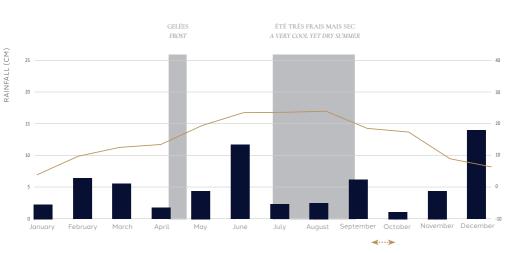
After a very favourable start to the growing season with a very early bud-break, the vine cycle was delayed at the end of April by a frost which hit the Bordeaux region very severely. At Angelus, where nature was kind, we were mostly spared this sad episode. However, over the small area affected by the 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 colour is beautifully clear and bright. The nose reveals attractive notes of red berry fruit, enhanced by subtle oak and pleasant freshness, giving an air-light touch to the wine. The palate is smooth and refreshing.

BLEND 100 % Merlot
HARVEST September 13th to 29th

## WEATHER CONDITIONS



HARVEST 13.09 - 29.09

Pluviométrie Températures moyennes 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.



#### ARGELUS

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