

# Vintage 2022



**Established:** Separated from Château Figeac in 1879, the estate is located between Château Cheval Blanc and Château Figeac on Pomerol border.

**Owner:** Otto Rettenmaier family

**Director:** Pierre Blois

**Consultant:** SARL Derenoncourt – Julien Lavenu

## VINEYARD

**Surface:** 14.6 hectares

**Soil:** Gravel and sand on a substratum of clay

**Method:** Certify organic

**Average age of the vines:** 35 years

**Method:** The vineyard has been driven ecologically from 1997 with mainly the use of organic and biodynamic farming methods. In fact, we use not only herbal teas but also preparations such as the 500 and 501 that contribute to a better balance of the plant in its ecosystem. Cereals are sown in the inter-rows during the off-season to feed and strengthen the soil structure and thus to limit erosion.



## VINIFICATION

**Type of tank:** Stainless-steel tanks and wooden vats under temperature control

**Method:** After a meticulous sorting, the grapes are destemmed. The berries, without being crushed, are transferred by conveyer belts in tanks of small capacities.

A soft extraction by punching down is practiced on all tanks. Maceration and fermentation last approximately one month.

The wine is aging in barrels 50 % of them are new during 15 months.

Filtration and clarification are done if necessary.



## HARVEST 2022

**Weather forecast 2022:** April started with a small period of frost (3 nights) without much consequence on our vineyard. Then, July and August were particularly hot and dry but some rains at key moments accompanied the Merlots as well as the Cabernet Francs at an excellent maturity.

**The Harvest:** The harvest took place with very positive weather from 12 to 23 September.



Three words to define the vintage.

## POWER, COMPLEXITY, AND INTENSITY

**Date of the harvest:** from September the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> 2022

**Yield:** 30hl/ha - Selected 300 hl, equalling 40 000 bottles

**Variety in the blend:** 60% Merlot- 40% Cabernet Franc

**Degree:** 14,5%vol

