

In the Vineyard

An early, rich and balanced vintage

The year 2020 was marked by very contrasting weather conditions. It began with a particularly mild and wet winter, which conducted to early budburst in the week of 15 March.

The spring alternated between mild temperatures, plenty of sunshine and bouts of heavy rain, with a record 77 mm between 10 and 11 May, leading to the development of mildew at that time. These major climatic changes also resulted in a low number of bunches, leading to below-average yields this year.

Slightly affected by coulure, flowering proceeded rapidly and steadily under milder weather conditions, reaching its peak in the last week of May. The first signs of early ripening appeared on 9 July. The dry, hot summer was marked by two heat waves at the end of July and beginning of August. The first symptoms of water stress observed at the end of July were tempered by the water reserves in the clay subsoil of our vineyard, as well as by the welcome rainfall in mid-August.

At the beginning of September, water stress caused the berries to lose 10-12% of their weight, while the rains at the end of September came at just the right time to allow the Cabernet Sauvignon to reach full ripeness. Despite the health situation, the harvest took place under perfect conditions from 11 to 28 September. A very healthy crop was delivered to the winery. From the third day onwards, the vinification process began, giving us a beautifully concentrated wine with an intense colour. Our intra-plot picking enabled us to identify 16 batches representative of our terroirs. Historically, the Grand Vin is composed mainly of Merlot.



Tasting notes

Château Tronquoy 2020 reveals an intense, dark red colour.

The nose is charming, with notes of candied black fruit and roasted notes reminiscent of chocolate and vanilla.

The palate is enveloping and offers aromas of blackcurrant, blackberry and blueberry. A full-body wine supported by a beautiful intensity.

The finish is fresh and long.

Harvest

- From 11 to 28 September

Blend

- Merlot: 52%
- Cabernet Sauvignon: 42%
- Petit Verdot: 6%

Indicators

- TAV/ABV: 13,5
- pH: 3,74
- AT/TA: 3,50
- IPT: 81

