

CHÂTEAU PAVIE

SAINT-ÉMILION
1^{ER} GRAND CRU CLASSÉ "A"



Since 1998, the Perse family, with the support of the same technical team, has attentively observed and monitored this magnificent vineyard site, so that the wines of Château Pavie fully express their terroirs in the purest, most natural way.

Terroir

Saint-Emilion limestone "plateau", located around 85 metres up from the Dordogne River: clay-limestone soil on top of limestone with marine fossils (2/3 of the vineyard).

Côte de Pavie, the "mid-hillside" land 55 metres up from the Dordogne River, facing South: a brown clay-limestone soil with a fine texture.

Terroir called "Pied de côte" composed of sandy, sandy-clay and sandy-gravelly soils.

Vintage 2019

Heavy rainfall during the winter and spring helped our soils to build up great reserves of water, which ultimately turned out to be crucial. Indeed, after an early bud-break, owing to particularly mild winter and early spring temperatures, summer followed with drought conditions and scorching temperatures. Our vines coped well, and our grapes were able to ripen smoothly. In early September, cool and rainy weather conditions returned and enabled us to wait for the optimal moment to pick the grapes. Our grapes offered very good ripeness levels, particularly in the Cabernets, which were very pure and very elegant.

Growing methods

Pruning down to 8 buds for the old vines and to 6 buds for the young vines. Thinning, leaf-stripping. Grapes picked and sorted by hand.

Vinification

Temperature-controlled wooden vats. Malolactic fermentation in barrels.

Harvest

30/09 to 11/10

Aging

80% new oak , 20% one year old barrel for 18 months

Surface area

37 hectares

Blend

50% merlot, 32% cabernet franc, 18% cabernet sauvignon

Yields

29 hl/ha

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