

## VINTAGE 2021

- *Timeless* -

**Harvest :** from September 29 to October 13

**Climatic conditions :**

The winter of 2020-2021 was mild in Saint-Estèphe, with normal rainfall. We continued to expand the area worked according to the principles of organic viticulture (without certification) from 10 to 20 hectares.

The Gironde protected us from frost in April. The vine was quite lazy until June; then, following heavy rains and high temperatures, it started a sudden spurt of growth. Strong pressure from downy mildew set in, requiring repeated passes through the vines, with difficulty given the state of the soil.

Very hot weather in mid-July and mid-August caused some scalding, despite carefully managed leaf removal. The summer was marked by wide temperature variations and rain, requiring constant attention. Fine weather in September was interrupted by a wet spell from the 18th to 20th. The nights were cool and the temperatures mild.

The Merlot harvest began on 29 September. The yields were desperately low. This was followed by the Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot and then the early plots of Cabernet Sauvignon. We took the gamble to interrupt the harvest, which turned out to be the right choice, to allow our great Cabernet Sauvignon to ripen to the required phenolic maturity in beautiful sunshine and with a drying north wind.

**Blending :** 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 21% Merlot, 4% Petit Verdot

**Analysis :** 13,5 %vol - pH: 3,61 - IPT: 85

**Tasting notes :**

The 2021 vintage has a ruby red colour with purple reflections.

The nose fascinates, with its intensity and complexity. Notes of juicy red fruits, spices and the intoxicating fragrance of old roses, alternating endlessly.

Perfectly timed on the palate, dazzling and with great refinement. The density and concentration are there. The tension, taste and delicacy of the tannins are the mark of Phélan Ségur in its most timeless style.

**Château Phélan Ségur :**

Owner: Philippe Van de Vyvere

General Director : Véronique Dausse

Vineyard Manager : Luc Peyronnet

Wine Cellar Master : Fabrice Bacquey

Consultants: Michel Rolland, Julien Viaud

Vineyard : 70 ha

Average age of the vineyard: 35 years old

Density of plantation: 10.000 vines/ha

Grape varieties: 58% Cabernet Sauvignon, 39% Merlot, 1.5% Petit Verdot, 1.5% Cabernet Franc

