

# 2018

There are vintages that traverse time and remain a true point of reference for our estates. At Pichon Comtesse, 2018 will undoubtedly and in every sense be one of those! A vintage in all extremes, uniting several vintages in one, 2018 is a delight, an enrichment of experience and cultivation of our passion for winemaking, a vector of emotions.

— NICOLAS GLUMINEAU

## THE WINE

YIELD

**35** HL/H

ALCOHOL

**14%** VOL.

РН

3.85

#### **VINIFICATION**

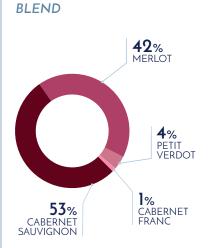
VINEYARD PLOTS VINIFICATION
VATTING BY GRAVITY
CONICAL STAINLESS STEEL VATS WITH
THERMOREGULATION

#### **AGEING**

OAK BARREL: 12 MONTHS
40% NEW OAK,
MEDIUM HEAT
TRADITIONAL RACKING "À L'ESQUIVE",

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EGG WHITE FINING

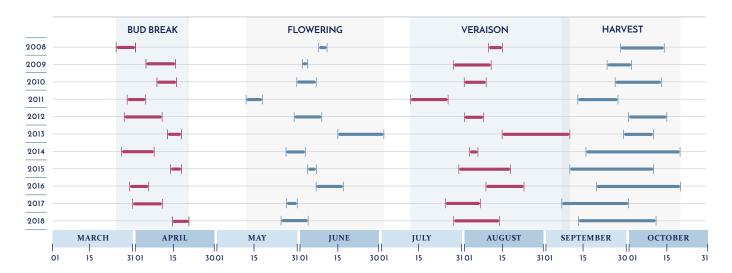


# **TASTING NOTES**

An enticing nose of blackberry and cedar, with spicy notes of pepper and fresh mint. Delicious on the palate, exhaling raspberry aromas. Equally supple and dense, with pure, fresh fruits. Savoury and with a evolving elegance and long length, thanks to well-integrated tannins.



## THE VINTAGE



After a cold and wet Winter, the **BUD BREAK** was late, around mid-April. A relatively mild April to June allowed for **FLOWERING** at the end of May, marked by several storms in this period creating an unparalleled pressure of mildew. Pichon Comtesse vineyard, thankfully had little coulure and was spared hail damage. Hot and dry weather from mid-July resulted in a uniform **VERAISON**; beginning on July 28th for the Merlot, it finishes on August 14th for the Cabernet and Petit Verdot. From September 13th to October 11th, the **HARVEST** was carried out in excellent conditions and each parcel was picked at optimum ripeness.

## THE VINEYARD

#### **SURFACE AREA**

90 HECTARES

IN PRODUCTION: 74 HECTARES

#### SOIL COMPOSITION



#### **DENSITY OF PLANTATION**

9.000 vines / hectare

## AVERAGE AGE OF THE VINEYARD

35 YEARS

### VINEYARD MANAGEMENT

SUSTAINABLE VITICULTURE WITH BIODYNAMIC PRACTICES
ON 15 HECTARES

# THE CLIMATE

