



History

The estate sits atop Saint-Émilion's plateau and slopes in one of the appellation's most sought-after locations. Benefitting from a south-southwest exposure, the vibrant vineyard looms over the region like a garden suspended over the limestone rock. Owned by the Duffau-Lagarrosse family since 1847, Beauséjour changed hands in April 2021. Today, the estate is spearheaded by the duo comprised of Prisca Courtin, granddaughter of Clarins founder Jacques Courtin and Joséphine Duffau-Lagarrosse, the ninth-generation descendant of the storied château. They form a new dynamic and talented team alongside wine consultants Axel Marchal and Julien Viaud, striving to harness all the potential of this exceptional terroir.

2023, A PROLONGED HARVEST

The singularity of the 2023 vintage can be summarised by a handful of key moments. A mild summer, with often overcast skies, gave way to exceptional warm weather in the second half of August. The different geological compositions within the vineyard - particularly the asteriated limestone and the clay-limestone soils - each behaved differently, leading to a notably extended harvest. A total of nine days spread over more than three weeks, 2023 is the longest harvest on record at Beauséjour.

A METICULOUS SORTING PROCESS

A rigorous plot-by-plot selection was carried out to ensure that each vine was harvested at perfect maturity. 2023 also marks the last vintage to be made in the estate's historic vat room, which dates back to the era of Joséphine Duffau-Lagarrosse's grandparents. A new facility will soon welcome the 2024 vintage.

WITH PRECISION COMES HARMONY

The early autumn brought perfect harvest conditions. Extraction was adapted to each vat in order to reveal all the expressions of our terroir.

Vineyard

6.2 ha in production, 6.8 ha in total

Terroir

40% clay-limestone plateau over asteriated limestone
 50% south- and west-facing slope: superficial clay-limestone on asteriated limestone
 10% colluvial clay-limestone soils on the hillside

Vineyard age

45 years

Harvest dates

Manual harvest in crates
 Merlot: 13th, 14th, 15th, 19th, 26th, 28th, and 29th September 2023
 Cabernet Franc: 2nd and 3rd October 2023

Blend

70% Merlot and 30% Cabernet Franc

Maturation

14 to 16 months in 63% new oak barrels

Production

46 hl/ha

Alcohol

14%