



CHÂTEAU DE SALES 2024

VINTAGE REPORT

The autumn and winter of the 2024 vintage were particularly mild and wet, with a substantial amount of rainfall between October and March.

As a result budbreak arrived early, at the end of March.

Spring was cool and wet.

A violent hailstorm – almost unheard-of at Château de Sales – in the night of 18-19 June destroyed 80% of the crop.

Showing exemplary resilience, the vineyard team responded quickly to assess the damage, take steps to treat the damaged vines and precisely identify the least affected sectors.

Effective teamwork was also a key factor in dealing with very high mildew pressure.

The second part of the summer was hot and dry.

The grapes changed colour slowly, with mid-veraison occurring on 10 August for the Merlot, 17 August for the Cabernet Sauvignon and 24 August for the Cabernet Franc.

Picking for this highly unusual vintage started on 19 September and ended on 4 October.

Strict selection was carried out to maximise the crop's potential.



VARIETAL MIX:

88% Merlot

7% Cabernet Franc

5% Cabernet Sauvignon



BARREL MATURING:

15% new barrels

85% second- or third-fill barrels