

CHÂTEAU  
PONTET-CANET  
GRAND CRU CLASSÉ EN 1855



## 2016

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The winter was particularly mild and wet, lavishly replenishing water reserves and guaranteeing the vines many months of active growth. These elements were crucial in determining our biodynamic approach for the year. The absence of cold weather encouraged very early budbreak. However, many weeks of cool and damp weather then greatly slowed vine growth. Flowering, which occurred in late May, was a very stressful time. Fortunately, everything went well.

Then, in early July, the skies unexpectedly changed their plans again, bringing us more than three months of hot and dry weather.

The summery conditions lasted almost until mid-October, allowing us to prepare for the harvest in a serene frame of mind.

We started to pick the Merlot on September 28<sup>th</sup>, then the Cabernet Sauvignon on October 4<sup>th</sup>, and ended the harvest on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Tasting

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The wine has a deep, dark colour and a powerful, complex nose, fresh and with a comforting purity.

The impressive attack is sustained by a dense, full-bodied and refreshing structure, with succulent and highly precise tannins, leading into a sumptuous finish. A legend!

This 2016 has a pedigree and a strength that attain to our idea of perfection.

## Facts

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Harvest: from September 28<sup>th</sup> to October 12<sup>th</sup>

Grape varieties: 65% Cabernet Sauvignon - 30% Merlot

3% Cabernet Franc - 2% Petit Verdot

Alcohol: 14.5°