



CHÂTEAU BEYCHEVELLE

AMIRAL DE BEYCHEVELLE 2013

Dates of Harvest

From 1st to 10th October

Production

71.2 ha

Yields

45.5 hl/ha

Blend

Cabernet Sauvignon 33%

Merlot 58%

Cabernet Franc 9%

As everywhere in Bordeaux, 2013 is a late vintage, with rather cold and humid weather conditions except for July and August, which benefitted from a nicer and warmer weather.

The pressure of diseases in the vineyard was high. We had to face an important phenomenon of coulure on the merlots. Our plots cultivated in organic were severely affected. From then on, we knew that the yields would be very low.

Harvests 2013 started earlier than expected on October 1st and ended rapidly in a record time of 10 days, thus becoming the shortest harvests of the history of Château Beychevelle.

We had to take radical decisions in terms of picking, working rhythm, plot selection and drastic sorting in order to preserve the quality standards of our wines. As a result, we produced 60% less grand vin than in 2012. The final yield is the lowest of the history of the property with 28.8 hl/ha.