

September 2018

1st Zoom on
2018 Vintage



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Dear Customers, Dear Partners,

The sun and the temperatures in Beaujolais and Mâconnais regions are still summery and yet the harvest came already to its end...

It took place under a clear blue sky, starting from the second half of August for the earliest parcels and reaching a peak of activity in the first week of September. Before reliving this intense moment through a few pictures, let's go back in time to see the progression from winter until grape-picking period for this 2018 vintage.

The winter was relatively long and quite wet, with repetitive rains. Most of the season the temperatures remained cold, but not excessively, preserving us from any frost.

The abundant Spring rains were beneficial to the vineyards, so as to all the vegetation. Even though we only observed budbreak in mid-April, which is a bit late, nature caught up over time. The flower arrived end of May, as it usually does, in good weather conditions.

Unlike in the previous years, hail storms spared Beaujolais and Mâconnais vineyards, except a few small plots of Gamay in the South. We did not have any problems with the foliage, in good health, and the number of grapes was high, making us hope for a generous harvest. So many clues for an early and abundant vintage.

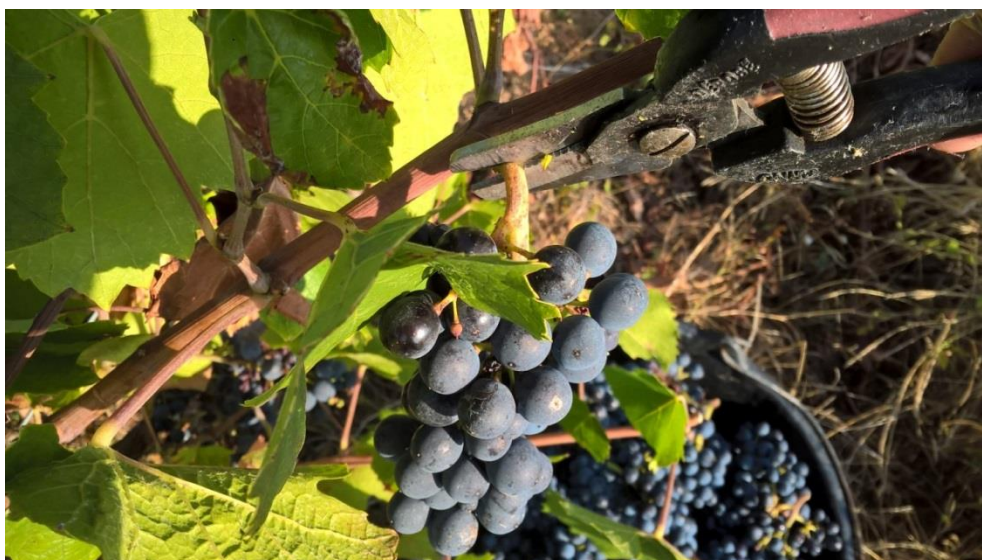
The summer was hot and dry, scorching even, as the vine likes it. No diseases, a definitely healthy harvest and a full yield. The first analyzes show a perfect balance and natural alcohol degrees of the most pleasing.

Everything suggests that 2018 will be an excellent vintage for the wines of our region. You will soon be able to check it out by yourself!

Further news will arrive soon,

Sincerely Yours,

Yves-Dominique FERRAUD



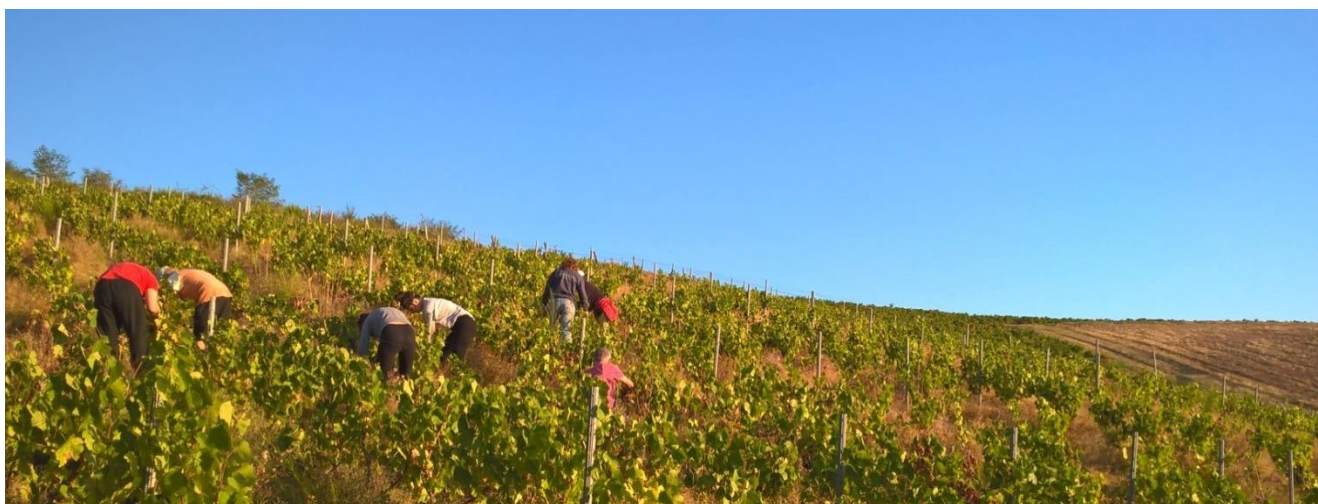


Grape-Picking

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