





## The Climate

The climate of 1996 was mostly characterized by its great irregularity. Except for a few days in July, there were no long hot periods. It began to rain rather late in August. The first half of September was temperate but it rained all the time during the second half. Altogether the summer was average with a few nice intervals.

## Some Technical Information

Harvest Dates From September 16th to October 4th Blend Merlot Noir: 45%; Cabernet Sauvignon: 44%; Cabernet Franc: 11%

New barrels 30% Alcohol 13%

Bottling date From June 4th to 10th 1998