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The Growing Season

The weather pattern form very much like what we had in Ribera del Duero. Dry and mild winter plus a dry summer.

Bud break was early but with low yield potential. Growing season was marked by a lot of sunshine together with 2018 the highest ever.

The end of July saw some rain that help the suffering grapes. Again, the limestone plateau proved essential. It seems that the soils of Rocheyron are coping very well with the warming we have seen since 2009/10.

Harvest was done from 17th of September (2 days for the Merlot) and the 7th of October for the Cabernet Franc.

Yields slightly down from 2018 (10 %)

The wine

The wine we made this year is among the finest we have made. In the line of 2016, 2018. The nose has a surprisingly ripe profile. No green hints but utterly complete.

The wood (40 % new) is not noticeable.

The overall texture is very complete as well; no hard edges. Very long and fine-grained tannic structure. This is a lovely wine that I am very proud of. It is a very good example of what can be achieved through organic viticulture and a bit of patience.