



*Château Suduiraut*

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## Castelnau de Suduiraut 2017

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Castelnau de Suduiraut is a wine with a distinctive character for which the groundwork is prepared far in advance, even down to the choice of specific plots to give it its own unique identity.

Made from portions of the harvest that are expressive earlier than those used for Château Suduiraut, this wine with aromas of candied yellow fruit, quince, frangipani, mild spices and a hint of minerality is more approachable when young in terms of tasting than its elder.

### BLEND

Sémillon 96%, Sauvignon blanc 4%

### AGEING

23% in new barrels

77% from barrels of one vintage, for 15 months

### COMPOSITION

Alcohol content: 14.3°

Total acidity: 3.8

Residual sugar: 135 g/l

### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The weather in 2017 was generally warm and dry. Spring was normal, with an early bud break. This earliness was jeopardised by frost on two occasions: on 21st and 27th April. The periphery of our vineyard, about 25-30% in all, was affected.

The meteorological conditions caused discrepancies in vine growth, with almost a month's difference from one plot to another. There was also heavy rainfall in May and early June. Summer was hopefully warm and dry. A bit of rain helped the grapes to ripen, and the vineyard reached maturity one week earlier than expected.