

# Château Suduiraut 2020

Château Suduiraut, classed as a Premier Cru in 1855, is made from grapes selected from the finest terroirs of the property.

This wine is hand crafted at every stage of its elaboration and reveals remarkable finesse and complexity and a golden colour reminiscent of the sun that made it possible. With age the bright gold evolves to a dark amber colour. With an extensive life-span, it powerfully and harmoniously combines fruit and floral aromas with roasted and candied notes.

#### BLEND

Sémillon 100%

## AGEING

50% in new barrels,

50% from barrels of one vintage, for 16 to 20 months, according to the evolution of the wine.

### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The autumn and winter of 2019-2020 were very wet. Total rainfall reached 519 mm in March, more than half the annual average. It was accompanied by mild temperatures, leading to bud break more than two weeks earlier than usual. This advance persisted, even with significantly cooler weather at the end of the month and a frosty day on 27th March. Flowering, although early, took place in unsettled weather, causing coulure. The impact was very irregular, varying according to the terroir, how early the plot developed, and the age of the vines. Good weather returned in July, with conditions becoming very dry, and above all very hot. The water reserves enabled the vines to withstand the successive heat waves, and a little rain in mid-August brought the ripening of the grapes back on track. The ripening process drew to a close about ten days ahead of schedule under very favourable weather conditions: hot days and cool nights, which preserved the range of aromas.

#### TASTING NOTE

Château Suduiraut 2020 reveals a bright golden yellow colour. The nose opens with aromas of tropical fruit such as lychee, mango and pineapple leading into hints of candied fruits, yellow peach, then ginger and delicate woody notes. The attack is ample, and the palate is opulent yet underpinned by great tautness. Notes of yellow peach and candied apricot are still present. Yellow fruit emerges in the velvety, spicy finish. The overall character is rich and elegant, the hallmark of a great Suduiraut.

Pierre Montégut - Technical Director - September 2022

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Sauternes 2020

