



WEATHER CONDITIONS

The 44<sup>th</sup> harvest at Mas de Daumas Gassac began on Monday, 6 September and ended on Friday, 4 September 2021, with the property's star grape variety, Cabernet Sauvignon. A team of 45 pickers from 16 different nationalities converged in the heart of the Gassac Valley for 14 days.

The 2021 vintage was noticeable for the enthusiasm and drive of everyone involved to produce a vintage that combines finesse and elegance.

The 2021 harvest shows great promise!

2021 was characterized by a cold winter, ending with a severe frost in April, which affected many of France's vineyards. Between 31 March and 16 April, the temperature in the valley dropped to  $-5^{\circ}$ C on several occasions, partially destroying the potential harvest.





We then had a rainy summer, with about 40mm in July and another 40mm in August.

The temperatures remained relatively cool. Fortunately, we were spared a heatwave!

The grapes therefore ripened later, and we started harvesting on 6 September (compared to 23 August last year).

## DU 6/09 THE MAS DE DAUMAS GASSAC AU 8/09 ROSÉ FRIZANT HARVEST

Frost affected a portion of the Rosé Frizant vines, with losses estimated at 30%. After several tastings in the winery, two words come to mind: "<u>freshness" &</u> <u>"fruit"</u>!

## DU 9/09THE MAS DE DAUMAS GASSACAU 12/09WHITE GRAPE HARVEST

All the white grape varieties were harvested in 4 days. Mas de Daumas Gassac Blanc 2021 was produced in the smallest quantities since the property was created! We lost 50% of the harvest with the frost.

On tasting, beautiful **aromas of ripe fruit** emerge and one can already detect a **pleasant acidity**... A remarkable vintage!



## DU 16/09 THE MAS DE DAUMAS GASSAC AU 24/09 RED GRAPE HARVEST

We harvested all the early red varieties other than Cabernet Sauvignon on September 8 and 13. They were vinified together, in the same vat. After 8 days of maceration, they were pressed on 16 September to preserve as much fruit as possible.

Cabernet Sauvignon represents 70-75% of the production of the red wine, so it is essential to pick it at optimal ripeness. After a 3-day break (allowing it to reach the desired maturity), we harvested the grapes from the property's oldest vines in excellent health.



HARVEST CALENDAR								
2021	DIM	LUN	MAR	MER	JEU	VEN	SAM	
5				1	2	3	4	
BER	5	6	7	8	9	10	Ū	
SEPTEMBER	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
ШЦ	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
SE	26	27	28	29	30		$\nearrow$	/

We carried out a comparison of the average temperatures and humidity levels in the Gassac Valley over the last three years. The humidity level is rising. In September this year we had an average of 90% humidity with an average temperature of 20.7 °C!

A northern climate resulting in a very fresh vintage!



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