



**CHÂTEAU DURFORT-VIVENS**  
**VINTAGE 2023**

Dear friends,

I am delighted to present to you the 2023 vintage of Durfort-Vivens.

Weather this year posed a real challenge from which we emerged enriched by a remarkable vintage. Indeed, the mild winter combined with a lot of humidity led to an early and heterogeneous budburst.

However, the end of spring, both warm and humid, helped to balance these discrepancies, allowing us to calmly begin the ripening period.

This resulted in grapes offering perfectly ripe tannins and a very Bordelais balance.

Our practices in biodynamics, initiated now 15 years ago, have helped us overcome these difficulties.

It is certain that 2023 will remain a year that allowed us to refine our management of vegetal cover and humidity.

Becoming one of Durfort-Vivens' signatures, this year once again the vintage is marked by a very high proportion of Cabernet Sauvignon (92%), the highest in the entire appellation.

Once again acclaimed by critics, the wine expresses itself through a powerful and refined style, a magnificent tannic structure, a delicious aromatic range, from floral to mineral, and a soft and voluptuous finish.

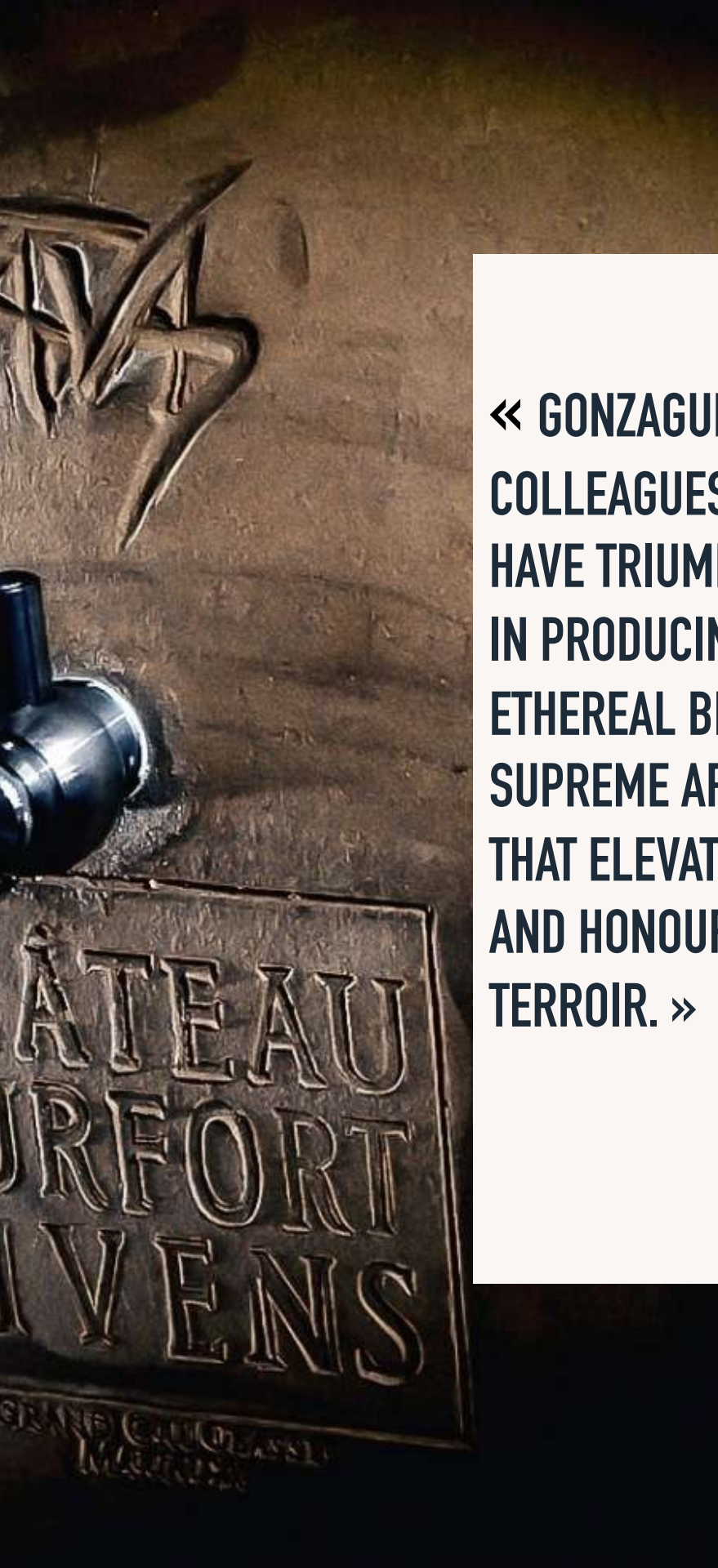
My thanks go again this year to Léopold Valentin and the entire technical team for maintaining these peaks of quality and elegance.

Finally, I thank all the people who help us daily to introduce and reintroduce our wines to enthusiasts around the world.

Warm regards,

Gonzague Lurton





**« GONZAGUE LURTON AND HIS COLLEAGUES AT DURFORT-VIVENS HAVE TRIUMPHED ONCE AGAIN IN PRODUCING A WINE OF ETHEREAL BEAUTY AND SUPREME AROMATIC FLORALITY THAT ELEVATES AS IT RESPECTS AND HONOURS THIS EXCEPTIONAL TERROIR. »**

**COLIN HAY**

**96–98 pts**

**CHRISTER BYKLUM**

« Another great success at Durfort-Vivens. Lovely. It seems to have settled in a new league. »

**95–97+**

**COLIN HAY, THE DRINKS BUSINESS**

**96–97 pts**

**LIN LIU, MW, WINE MANIACS**

**95–97 pts**

**VINUM, ADRIAN VAN VALSEN**

**95–96 pts**

**TERRE DE VINS**

**95–96 pts**

**JAMES SUCKLING**

« This has very fresh, lively and almost al-dente fruit. It's mouthwatering and juicy. Medium-to full-bodied, refined and seamless. »

**95 pts**

**LE FIGARO**

**94–95 pts**

**WILLIAM KELLEY, WINE ADVOCATE**

« Unwinding in the glass with aromas of minty cassis, plums and berries mingled with hints of pencil shavings and violets, (...) deep and layered, with good concentration, sweet tannins and a long, penetrating finish. (...) It's a resounding success. »

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## THE VINEYARD

65 hectares of deep gravels with a matrix of sand and clay. Located in Margaux, Cantenac and Soussans.

## THE CULTURAL PRACTICES

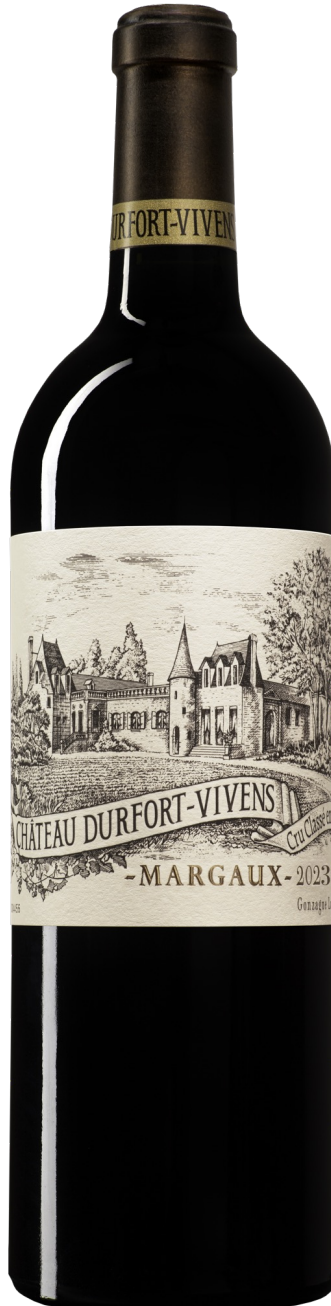


## THE VINIFICATION

Plot and tailor-made vinification. Alcoholic fermentation with natural yeasts. Pumping over once per day for a soft extraction. 21 days of maceration. No input during all the vinification.

## HARVEST DATES

From September 11th  
to October 4th



## THE BLEND

92% Cabernet-Sauvignon  
8% Merlot

## THE AGEING

18 months:  
70% in new oak barrel  
30% in amphorae

## THE YIELD

35 hecto /ha

## ALCOHOL

13,7 %

## PH

3,66

## THE TEAM

Owner : Gonzague Lurton  
Technical Director: Léopold Valentin  
Oenologist consultant: Éric Boissenot



**DURFORT-VIVENS**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> CLASSIFIED GROW IN 1855 IN MARGAUX**  
**VINTAGE 2023**

**TO DISCOVER IN VIDEO**





Vineyard of 65 hectares located on the villages of Margaux, Cantenac and Soussans **within Margaux appellation.**

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One of the favorite wines of the 3rd President of the US, Thomas Jefferson, at the end of the 18th century.

Raised at the rank of **2<sup>nd</sup> Grand Cru Classé in 1855** during the Universal Exhibition of Paris.

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The property has been in the Lurton family for two generations.

At 26 years old, Gonzague was the youngest owner-manager of the Grand Cru Classé of Médoc.

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The wines are both certified organic and biodynamic since the vintage 2016.

The one and only growth of 1855 to have obtained both **organic and biodynamic** certification at the same time.

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### **The largest amphorae cellar in the world.**

The vintage 2018 was entirely made in amphora without any mechanical assistance.

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The vineyard is managed according to agroecological practices. Small-scale plantation of vines without rootstock, to preserve diversity and adapt our vineyard to the climate change.

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The vineyard offers **the highest proportion of Cabernet-Sauvignon** of South-Médoc (85%).

The wine offer the highest part of Cabernet-Sauvignon into its **blend (92% in 2023)**

## PACKAGING 2023



**THE CARTON BOX, 6 BOTTLES**  
-0,15€ Excluding taxes / Bottle



**THE WOODEN BOX, 6 BOTTLES**  
No extra charge