

CHÂTEAU CHEVAL BLANC

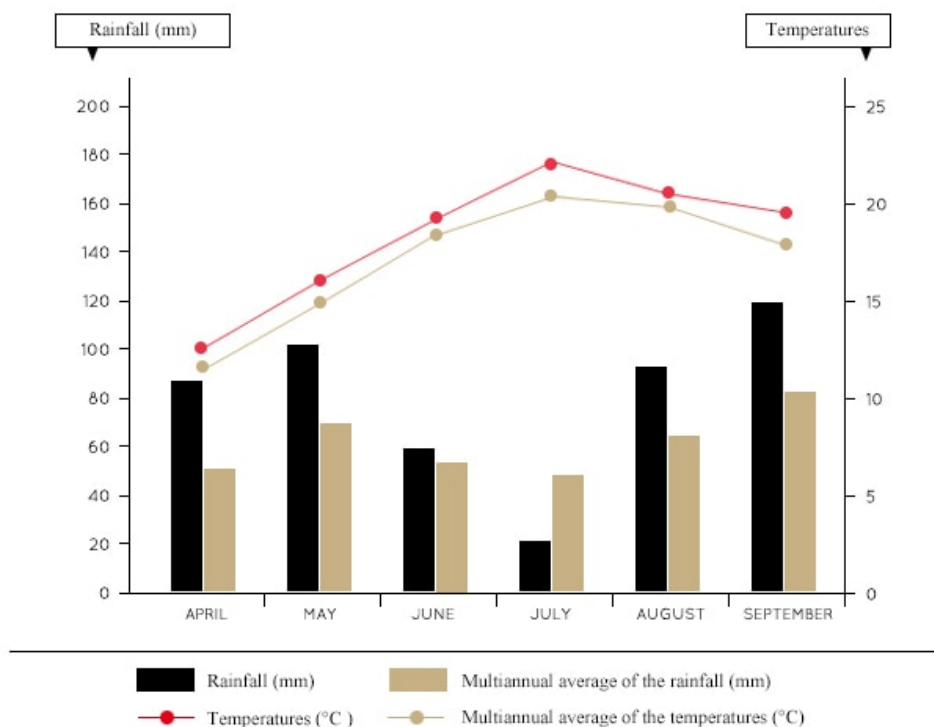
1959

1959 was an excellent year, with loads of class thanks to moderately warm weather throughout the growing season. A good bottle of 1959 Cheval Blanc is truly immense, showing fine balance, incomparable richness, and a rare, elegant complexity.

TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL

1959 was exceptionally warm, with above-average temperatures every month. However, there was also considerable precipitation since only July had less rain than usual.

1959 : TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL COMPARED WITH NORMAL VALUES IN SAINT-EMILION

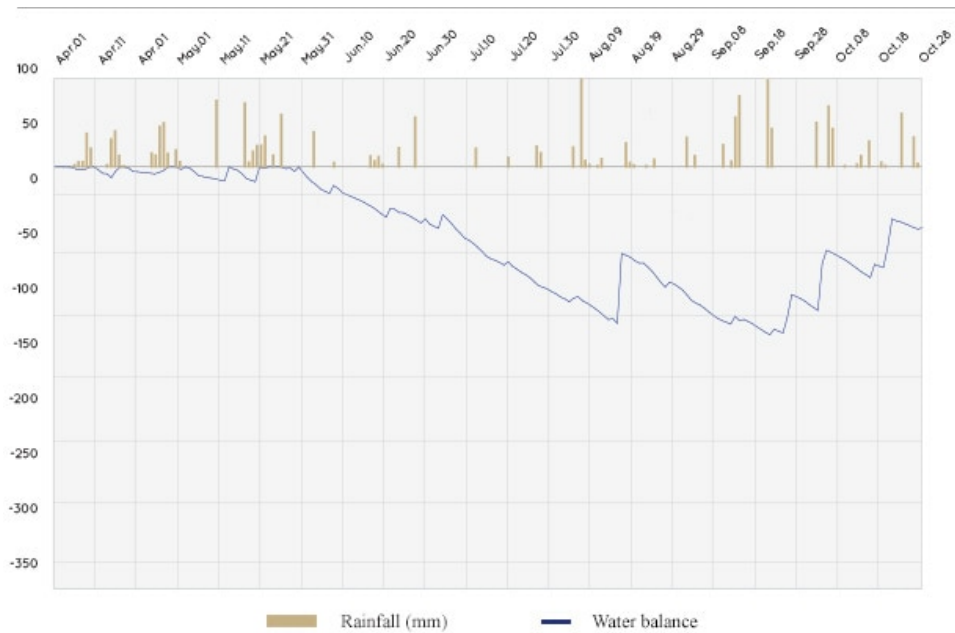


WATER BALANCE

In order to grow well, the vine needs for water stress to set in slowly so the grapes to ripen well and become concentrated. The warm weather was accompanied by showers. Therefore, water stress was

weak to average.

1959 WATER BALANCE



GROWING SEASON

After an extremely warm summer, the harvest began on the 28th of September and ended on the 10th of October. The warm weather and yield of just 21 hectolitres per hectare were conducive to good ripening and concentration. This low yield was due, in part, to the results of the devastating frost of February 1956 that killed 10 hectares of vines. The absence of blending prior to bottling accounts for the irregularity in bottles from this vintage.
Alcoholic degree: 13°.

	Begin	End
1959 harvest dates	September, 28th	October, 10th
Average harvest dates: 1946-2014	September, 24th	October, 8th

RIPENING AND YIELDS

1959 yield (hl/ha)	Average yield: 1946 to 2014
20.9	33.9