

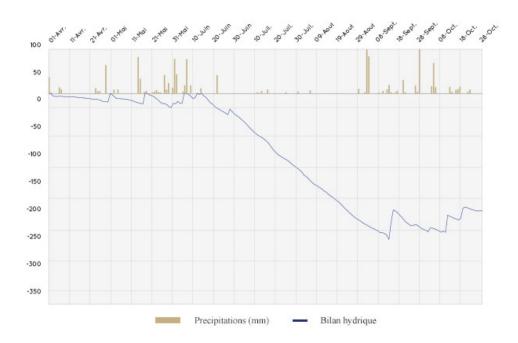
1949 was marked by severe drought conditions. This dry weather concentrated the grapes, enabling them to produce remarkable wine, the last of the decade's trio of great vintages. Possessing a remarkable tannic structure and enormous aromatic complexity, 1949 can be considered the epitome of Cheval Blanc's true essence compared to the atypical 1947 and 1948

TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL

WATER BALANCE

1949 was a very dry year, with virtually no precipitation for three months starting on the 10th of June. The water balance shows that a deficit affecting certain plots, with some vines losing part of their leaves.

1994 WATER BALANCE



GROWING SEASON

Begin	End
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1949 harvest dates	September, 29th	October, 9th
Average harvest dates:1946-2014	September, 24th	October, 8th

RIPENING AND YIELDS

The harvest took place without difficulty, but yields were low: just 24.8 hectolitres per hectare. This was largely because of small berries due to water stress. These were consequently very concentrated.

1949 yield (hl/ha)	Average yield: 1946 to 2014
24.8	33.9

CELLAR WORK

Fermentation was not complicated and the alcoholic degree was 12.5°, which was fairly high at the time.

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