CHÂTEAU VILLARS 2015

COMMUNE: Saillans

APPELLATION: Fronsac

VINEYARD SURFACE: 20 hectares

PRODUCTION: 64,000 bottles

SOIL: Clay and limestone

AGE OF VINEYARD: 37 years

GRAPE VARIETIES: 81 % Merlot Noir

15 % Cabernet Franc 4 % Cabernet Sauvignon

VINIFICATION: Manual harvest from September 28th October 6th.

Traditional 27-day maceration with twice-daily pump-over

Fermentation temperature: 30°C

MATURATION: 100 % barrel-aged for 12 months, 35% new oak

Bottled on March, 23rd, 2017.

CHARACTERISTICS: A very special climate...!

A fresh start for this spring, then the vines grew and blossomed quickly thanks to a very long period of dry and very hot weather. (April to July). The rain in August was favourable to the vines because it reduced drought stress to its reasonable extent. The rains of middle September feigned the winemakers' good humour a bit, but not the very beautiful quality of the vintage which we brought into the cellar by the end of September and

the beginning of October during sunny days.

Very beautiful fruit, round tannins and a smooth mouth these are the most beautiful qualities of this vintage

which reminds us a lot of 2009.

TASTING: Serving temperature: 16 °C

Drinking window: 2019 to 2029