

# Château Palmer

## 1990

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1990 is a solar vintage, synonymous with joy. It is a great wine that succeeds the vintages of 1988 and 1989, both equally prestigious. Climatically speaking they all possess amazing similarities. February saw record temperatures for the month and, consequently, the vines started to grow on March 9th. This precocity increased the risk of frost. Luckily, the summery weather continued on throughout March and April and banished our fears. Flowering came very early, around fifteen days earlier than normal. As from June 3rd, the weather became overcast and rainy until the end of the month. July was beautiful and warm. August was seriously tropical. One has to look back to the most famous vintages in order to find an equivalent year. The first grain alterations occurred on July 15th. In August, the ripening process continued on slowly but surely and maturation was slowed down by excessive drought. Fortuitous rain flooded the vineyard on the 30th. The

harvest took place under ideal conditions. The Merlot and the Cabernet Sauvignon were of superb quality. The 1990 vintage has the same structure as that of all particularly hot years: low acidity, high sugar levels and a perfect concentration of ripe fruits and soft tannins.

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### **BLEND**

MERLOT 37%

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 54%

CABERNET FRANC 7%

PETIT VERDOT 2%

### **HARVEST DATES**

18/09/1990 TO 06/10/1990

### **AGEING POTENTIAL**

READY TO DRINK BUT CAN BE KEPT A FEW  
MORE YEARS

CHÂTEAU  
PALMER

