# MY WORK AS A WINEGROWER



"We are more than 4300 winegrowers to farm almost 80 000 hectares vineyard for Cognac production."

**I PRODUCE** quality grapes and wine.

I PRESERVE

my vineyard, my environment and my neighbours.

# PESTICIDES, LET'S TALK ABOUT IT!

# I spray my vines: why?

No matter the way we farm (conventional, sustainable or organic farming), we shall, in our climate, spray our vines to protect them against diseases and ensure a qualitative harvest.

# When do I spray?

Regarding the diseases risks, I may spray my vineyard anytime from April to August. Please, contact me if you want to be notified.

#### What could you do when spray near your house?

During spraying, as a precaution, you should bring your laundry back inside, close your windows and avoid to let your children play outside.

# Why do you hear me working at night or early in the morning? It's not to annoy you.

- Spraying late in the evening or during the night is more efficient. Also, it allows me to reduce the amount of pesticides I use and it protects, inter alia, the bees.
- During harvest, I must pick the grapes when the temperatures are the coolest, in order to ensure quality.

# Do you know that some olfactive nuisances come from organic pesticides?

Unlike the common opinion, some bad smells come from organic pesticides, like sulphur.

#### A COMMITTED SECTOR

- Cognac sector commit to a sustainable winegrowing process and environmental certification.
- Our goals are to commit 100% of the winegrowers to our sustainable winegrowing process by 2021 and 50% of our surfaces to Cognac and HVE certification by 2025.

# A STRICT REGULATION

- No spraying when the wind exceed 19 km/h (11,8 mph).
- No spraying within defined distances near residences, schools hospitals, nursing homes...
- Timeframe during which nobody can enter the vineyard after spraying.
- Protecting waterways

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