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The weather patterns during the year were quite anomalous; to start we had a very warm and dry winter, so mild that the vines were beginning the vegetative development ahead of time making them vulnerable to possible freak late frosts. For this reason we decided to postpone the pruning till late to discourage the plants starting early.

The pruning worked out very well but was unnecessary as the mild temperatures continued till the month of May. Finally the much needed rain came and stayed well into June followed by very hot sunny weather that, as a consequence, evolved the grapes a bit ahead of time. The most important and positive event of the summer was that the temperatures in August were cooler than usual; as a result the grapes normalized their phenological evolution into a perfect balance. It was fascinating to watch nature performing a play that kept us on our toes till the very end, and resulted in one of the best vintages I have ever had, to be added to the beautiful crescendo of 2004, 2005, and 2006.

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