

# How we measure our progress

*Get acquainted with the benchmarks we have chosen to work sustainably*

At Earl Tange-Gérard, we have listed different steps of the progress we want to make towards sustainability and organic methods.

This is the part of the sustainability certificate that enables you to continue to work towards greener goals rather than a fixed position.

The entries represent the target of the changes we have made or want to make in the vineyards and in the rest of our work. They are not quantified. Number 1 is not more important than number 10. Our progress is evaluated twice in three years by the third party (Ocacia) that does the audit on behalf of Comité Champagne.

There is an audit every three years. The report has a conclusion and possibly some points to improve.

We will share ours to enable you to have an idea about our current position and where we are heading.

Our commitment:

- 1) To reduce and eventually stop the usage of chemical herbicides in the company.
- 2) To reduce and eventually stop the usage of any toxic substances.
- 3) To stop the usage of chemical insecticides.
- 4) To stop the usage of non-organic fertilizers.
- 5) To put in place procedures that will help the natural enrichment of the soil.
- 6) To facilitate biological activity in the soil.
- 7) To develop procedures that are favorable or useful towards wildlife.
- 8) To reduce the carbon footprint of the company.
- 9) To make staff aware of procedures that are favorable for the environment.
- 10) To develop towards a viticulture of respectful, organic, or biodynamic practices.

*Signed in Soulières July 25th 2016*

## **Status, early October 2021**

Our plan for the development of our company, Earl Tange-Gérard, since we began the work with the sustainability certificate in 2015, has followed the points above. Most topics have been implemented fully since. From 2021, our work in the vineyards has been 100% according to organic methods. The conversion takes three years that are counted from the grape harvest 2021. This means that our grapes according to the plans will be certified organic for the grape harvest of 2024. Furthermore, we began to work with biodynamics in spring 2021, this far with valerian oil, plant infusions and the preparations numbered 500 and 501 with manure and silica.