

Technical sheet Vintage 2011

An early vintage with the first leaves appearing at the beginning of April.

*Fine weather was predominant with some irregularities in June: a little hail early in the month and some scorching hot days at the end.* 

A few showers arrived in July at just the right time to refresh the vines, which were suffering from the lack of water.

*September started with a dampness that that was much appreciated by mushroom pickers...* 

The Merlot harvest began on 13 September, Saint Aimée's day. The harvests continued, with various breaks, until 28 September, with a predominance of fine, sunny days, accompanied by cool nights. The Cabernets, having kept us waiting like divas, were very promising.

*The harvests ended on the eve of St Michael's day (the patron saint of coopers), which was the day that the harvests begun in 2010.* 

Another beautifully made vintage. And this year there can be no doubt that the element of human choice was more significant, both in terms of when the grapes were picked (to be as close as possible to the ideal ripeness), and in the approach taken during vinification and maceration.

HARVEST From September 13<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011

> BOTTLING 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2013

> > DEGREE 13%

BLEND Cabernet Sauvignon : 60% Merlot : 40%

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