



2011 VINTAGE

The Climate

One of the characteristics of 2011 was an extremely dry spring. Based on the measured rainfall in April, May and June this was the driest spring since 1949. Happily, summer brought some rain which allowed the vine to continue its growth. With a dry September, we were able to harvest in optimal conditions.

Some Technical Information

Harvest Dates:	From August 29 th to September 27 th
Blend :	Merlot Noir : 69% ; Cabernet Sauvignon : 19% ; Cabernet Franc : 12 %.
Yield:	42.6 hl / ha
Percentage of production:	47%
New barrels:	35%
Alcohol:	13.7% (temporary)
Bottling date:	Still Ageing
Production:	4900 cases of 12 bottles (estimation).

Tasting note

Beautiful deep, dark, red colour. La Chapelle has a nose of ripe black fruit and spice. It starts off very smooth on the palate, then gives way to a tannic structure which confirms the impression of weight promised by its deep color. Barrel ageing will impart further softening to develop all the character of a great wine.