

CHATEAU LESPAULT-MARTILLAC

2011

VINTAGE 2011

**“Good quality despite
very special weather conditions”**

A slightly rainy winter was followed by a severe and hot drought until July.

It was **“summer during spring”!!**

The effect of such conditions was the vines stop growing. Our unique deep gravel terroir hydrated the vines enough, so as to grow correctly.

A relatively humid and fresh climate lasted until the end of August.

It was **“spring in summer”!!**

It was **paradoxically very beneficial** to the vines which started maturation in fabulous conditions.

Luckily, wonderful **summer came back in September** and ripened all the varieties with high concentration.

Harvest began 2 weeks earlier than usual: Dry White from 23/08 till 9/09 (37 hl/ha) and Reds from 13/09 till 30/09 (30 hl/ha). Yields were low but of superb quality.

Despite this precocity, one month of trimming off unripe berries and soft vinification were necessary to express the best of the fruit and to keep style of the terroir.

We are positive that have we made a great red wine: beautiful, fruity expression with dense and supple high class tannins. Freshness and acidity gives the wine authenticity and balance to cellar perfectly.

More than ever this vintage is **the pure reflection of a great terroir and healthy vineyards** grown with all the necessary care. We had to select more than usual, to choose, to sort out, to decide...

Our choices and surgical handpicking adapted to delicate vinification is the the key to the succes of our 2011 wines!

A real “Vigneron’s” Vintage!



CHATEAU LESPAULT-MARTILLAC PRIMEUR ROUGE 2011

65 % MERLOT
35 % CABERNET SAUVIGNON

13,5° - PH : 3,7
YIELD : 32 HL/HECTARE

TASTING :

Château Lespault Martillac Rouge 2011

Deep red color. Brilliant.

*Nose of ripe fruits with earthy
flavors and spices. Complex
with leather and cacao.*

*On the palate it is immediately
velvet and fresh. Large and
generous taste of fruit. Full-
bodied with very good
concentration of fine tannins
for a long and fresh finish.*

*Round and balance with
exquisite fruit. Very typical of
this estate.*



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