

CHÂTEAU CLINET *Pomerol*

CHATEAU CLINET :

Chateau Clinet, owned by the Laborde family, produces **consistently excellent wines**. Its vineyards stand at the highest point of the **Pomerol plateau**, in the heart of the appellation's most prestigious crus.

The average age of the vines is 51 years, precise and organic farming methods are applied.

The vinification and ageing cellars are equipped with state-of-the-art facilities.

Last vintages were highly praised by critics, including 100 points PARKER in 2009.



OVER THE GROWING SEASON :

Spring's extreme weather conditions caused concern that with such excessive heat this would be a tricky vintage to manage.

In this particular climatic context, Château CLINET adapted its cultural strategy to make sure of an even ripening of the grapes.

Summer was without excessively hot weather which helped the maturity to proceed homogeneously.

The harvest **was the earliest ever recorded at the property**. It began on September 7, and finished with the legendary 75 year-old vines on the Pomerol plateau.

Château CLINET continued its policy of picking plot by plot, at perfect phenolic ripeness, spreading out the 7 harvesting days along a time-line of 19 days.

PRESSBOOK :

ROBERT PARKER 92 - 94
«...This is one of the most impressive wines of the vintage...»

WINE SPECTATOR 91 - 94
«...This has solid range, solid flesh...» - James Molesworth

NEAL MARTIN 93 - 95
«...It soars from the glass and takes no prisoners...»

JAMES SUCKLING 95 - 96
«...Hand crafted wine for the vintage...»

JEFF LEVE 95 - 97
«...This is a hedonistic, sensuous style of Pomerol...»

DECANTER 16,5/20
«...Firm and intense...» - James Lawther

2011

GRAPE VARIETIES

85% Merlot
12% Cabernet Sauvignon
3% Cabernet Franc

AGEING

55% new barrels
45% barrels of 1 wine

PRODUCTION

5 000 cases

TASTING :

Château CLINET 2011 displays an ink-purple colour.

Very exuberant and enchanting on the nose, it reveals aromas of wild raspberries and strawberries, together with blackberries and plums in syrup, mingling subtly with essence of vanilla and liquorice.

Silky and intense on the palate, its soft texture coats the freshly picked wild fruits sprinkled with spices.

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