### Maison

## TARDIEU - LAURENT

#### FAMILLE TARDIEU



# Maison Tardieu Laurent - Saint Joseph - Vieilles Vignes

AOC Saint-Joseph, Vallée du Rhône, France

#### THE VINTAGE

A Vintage saved by the months of September and October, which were exceptional.

A summer-like spring and a spring-like summer and an optimal autumn... This, more or less, summarises the Vintage.

The weather conditions in spring, reminiscent of summer, suggested that it would be a relatively early harvest. But a summer, which more resembled spring in character, slowed down the maturity, above all that of Grenache. Autumn, however, enhanced eve-rything, and, ultimately, provided fantastic condi-tions for the harvest.

We got so close to a really Perfect Vintage... A wonderfully fresh July smiled on the Syrah. Unfortunately, rain at the end of August and the beginning of September impacted on what hitherto had been a Vintage of extraordinary potential.

That said, however 2011 remains at a very high level, richly fruited and with good typicity, faithful to Terroirs so admired by Wine Lovers around the whole world.

#### **TERROIR**

Saint Pierre de Bœuf, Mauves, Chavanay, Sainte Epine.

#### **TYPE OF SOIL**

Granite-Clay Soils.

#### **AGEING**

New oak casks - Allier and Tronçais.

#### **VARIETALS**

Serine, Syrah

#### 13% % VOL.

Bottling: Without fining and filtration.

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

Age of vines: Serine: over 100 years, Syrah:60 years, years old

#### **REVIEWS AND AWARDS**



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"Mid crimson. Clean, glossy, just-ripe Syrah. Nervy and lightly oaked. Still quite fragile fruit with the oak still evident. A bit skinny."

Jancis Robinson

