

MAISON
TARDIEU - LAURENT
FAMILLE TARDIEU



Maison Tardieu Laurent - Hermitage

AOC l'Hermitage, Vallée du Rhône, France

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THE VINTAGE

2011, 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, summarised 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 everything, and, ultimately, provided fantastic conditions 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

Pierrelles, Beaumes, Murets, Maison Blanche.

AGEING

20 months in new and one year old barrels. Tronçais et Allier.

VARIETALS

Marsanne 80%, Roussanne 20%

13% % VOL.

Bottling: Without fining and light filtration.

TECHNICAL DATA

Age of vines: Marsanne: over 50 years,
Roussanne: over 40 years. years old

TASTING

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REVIEWS AND AWARDS

95/100

"La neige tombe sur Venise, où les eaux sont gelées, retenant prisonnières les gondoles. La robe est jasmin. Le bouquet est un merveilleux panorama où les amandes, l'anis étoile et la vanille construisent un monde d'antiquaire. Sur le palais, les épices du gingembre sont figés dans une texture exceptionnellement intégrée et veloutée de brioche beurrée et de tarte tatin. En rétro-olfaction, tombent de la cire à bois, de la pierre à fusil et un peu de poudre. La finale est aussi intense que le bouquet. L'ampleur des arômes de pâtisserie, de minérale et de térébenthine la transforme en classique inoubliable. Un vin exemplaire, typique du meilleur de l'appellation."

Le Magazine du Vin, 01/10/2015



91/100

"This fullbodied, opulent wine... it's showy and lush, bathed in honey, pineapple and apricot fruit and accented by hints of toast and gingery spice."

Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast, 01/11/2014



94/100

"A head-turner, with a broad range of salted butter driving through the core of sweetened butter, creamed white peach, white ginger, melon and macadamia nut notes. The finish is lush, creamy and enveloping."

James Molesworth, Wine Spectator, 31/05/2014

92/100

"Pale gold. Penetrating citrus pith, floral and mineral scents are complemented by deeper notes of toasty lees and smoke. Smells like an exotic white Burgundy. Densely packed lemon, orange and pear flavors are lifted by dusty minerals, with the smoky note coming back on the tail end. Finishes tangy and focused, with intense mineral and floral notes and excellent persistence."

Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer International Wine Cellar, 01/04/2013

