Maison

TARDIEU - LAURENT

FAMILLE TARDIEU



Maison Tardieu Laurent - Cornas - Vieilles Vignes

AOC Cornas, Vallée du Rhône, France

This year, production of this wine is slightly up - great news for cornas lovers! The flagship of tardieu-laurent, this wine is already impressive, a fine ambassador for the vintage thanks to its concentration and its assertive aromatics - cassis and liquorice. A great wine, extraordinary, yet set within a classical frame!

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

Les Eygas and Patou.

AGEING

New barrels. Tronçais and Allier.

VARIETALS

Serine, Syrah

13% % VOL.

Bottling: No fining. No filtration.

REVIEWS AND AWARDS

Jancis Poloison

17/20

"60-year-old Syrah. Dark crimson. Much broader and more luscious than the Coteaux bottling on the nose. Almost opulent for a Cornas! Yet with precision and minerality too. All frame rather than flesh at the moment but convincing. Confident and cool."

TECHNICAL DATA

Age of vines: 80 to over 100 years, years old

Jancis Robinson

