



Domaine
Servin

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Grands Vins de Chablis

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2011 Chablis Vintage

“PRECOCITY”

Harvest date – Monday 5th September 2011

Everyone agrees on one thing when it comes to the 2011 vintage: its precocity.

A water deficient spring with temperatures well above average followed a dry winter. Mid March, the weather conditions were already favorable to growth: budding took place before long and was observed in the earliest plots beginning of April, i.e. 3 weeks in advance compared to 2010!

The precocity of that vintage, which is often compared to the 2007 vintage, was confirmed in May when the first flowers appeared in the middle of the month suggesting that harvesting could start in August! Satisfactory flowering and setting were a sign of a good harvest.

With summer happening in spring, the weather became unstable at the end of June: hail damaged the right bank of Serein.

At the beginning of summer; much expected rain showers allowed to replenish the ground water supplies. Under these advantageous conditions, the vegetation grew well. The beginning of August was rainy but the weather improved during the second part of the month, facilitating maturation.

At the end of August, just before harvest, a few days of heat dried the rot found in some parts of the vineyard.

The Domaine Servin started to harvest on the 5th September carefully selecting the mature vineyards one by one.

However, even in the case of the more precious plots, harvest took place more than 100 days after flowering, thus respecting the cycle of the vines.

The acidity levels are average. Thus, the freshness which is so characteristic of the Chablis terroir will be present.

The profile of 2011 Chablis wines appears to be lively and expressive and should easily please both new or educated connoisseurs.

Excellent vineyard management, control and attention to details in the cellar are factors that, this year more than ever, emphasize the touch of men involved in each Chablis wines.