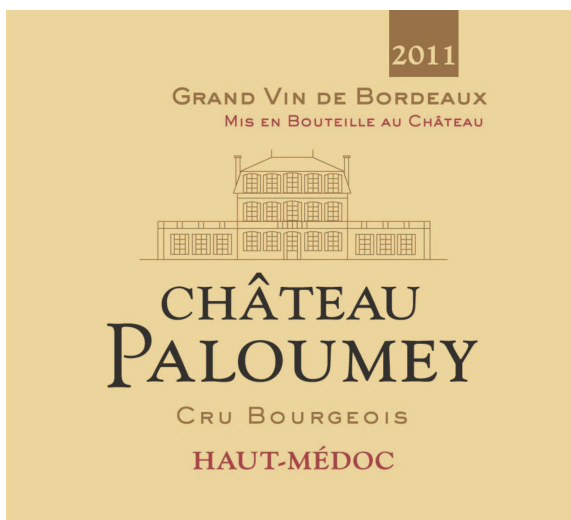


CHÂTEAU PALOUMEY



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Cru Bourgeois

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Surface : 34 ha

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TECHNICAL DETAILS

Viticulture

- Grape varieties: Cabernet Sauvignon 55% / Merlot 40% / Cabernet Franc 5%
- Soil: Garonne gravels from the quaternary period
- Average age of vines: 22 years old
- Planting density : 7200 vines/ha
- Sustainable viticulture
- Bud pruning, desuckering, deleafing and green harvest when necessary

Oenology

- Harvest: manual and by machine
- Double sorting on belt, before and after destemming
- Vinification: plot by plot; fermentation in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks (80 to 150 hl). Post fermentation maceration between 20 and 26 days. 30% of malolactic fermentation done in new oak barrels
- Aging : 12 months in oak barrels; 30% new oak
- Coopers : Demptos, Saury, Nadalié, Boutes, Tonnellerie d'Aquitaine. Follow-up of barrels' quality: blind testing every 4 months.
- Racking every 4 months

Bottling

- Egg-white fining
- No filtering before bottling

2011 VINTAGE

2011 Vintage Profile: Early!

The 2011 summerlike spring, exceptionally hot and dry, allowed buds to blossom and develop in the best conditions possible until flowering. At that stage, we were almost three weeks early compared to previous vintages. August showers were undoubtedly welcome to relieve vineyards suffering from water stress: the 2011 earliness was reduced.

Searching for the perfect maturity and making the right decisions regarding harvest dates were crucial because of the grapes' heterogeneity and the grey rot's threat. Harvest took place without a drop of rain. Thanks to the double sorting system (both mechanical and manual) set up at the reception of grapes, we kept a ripe, healthy and homogenous crop.

The Cabernet Sauvignon grapes did particularly reach a beautiful balance and a great complexity. This new 2011 vintage is characterized by deep colors, intense aromas of black fruit, tannins and freshness.

Harvest dates:

Merlot: from September 12th to September 19th.

Cabernet Sauvignon: from September 20th to September 28th

Yield: 45 hl/ha

Blend: Cabernet Sauvignon 63% - Merlot 37%

Alcohol: 13% Vol

Production : 154 000 bottles

Scores:

The Wine Enthusiast : 90/100 In this complex wine, surface fruitiness doesn't mask the firm layers of tannins that give shape and density. It's full of black plum flavors that show a juicy side to what is also a wine for long-term aging. Drink from 2018.

Decanter : * (16 points)** Good fruit with a feminine touch, an attractive wine. Drink 2014-2018.



Un bouquet discret, qui fait d'abord ressortir des notes d'élevage (épices douces, amande grillée), puis, à l'agitation, de fins arômes de fruits rouges. Rond et souple en attaque, le palais n'affiche pas une charpente imposante mais il séduit par la finesse de ses tanins et le plaisant retour fruité en final.

La Revue du Vin de France : Réussite - Un vin suave, délicat et rond, avec un fruité séduisant et une jolie intégration des tanins

Gault Millau : 14/20 Tanins gras et générosité avec une belle précision dans le fruit. Réussite sur ce millésime difficile

Vino! Coup de Cœur Cru Bourgeois : Belle matière, ample et fondue, du fruit et de la fraîcheur.



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