



HISTORY

Legend relates that the name of this imposing estate originates with Connétable Talbot, a famous English warrior, defeated at the battle of Castillon in 1453. Talbot is one of the Medoc's oldest estates, its glory never tainted. Through the years it has been fortunate enough to remain in good hands. The owners are Nancy Bignon-Cordier and her family. They are the fourth generation of Cordiers to manage this Saint-Julien fourth classified growth.

Appellation	Saint-Julien, 4th Grand Cru Classé in 1855
Surface Area	104 ha
Soil	Medoc's gravelly soil
Density	7700 plants/ha
Vines average age	50 years
Pruning	Medoc Double Guyot pruning
Cultivation	Plowing 4 traditional ways
Harvest	By hand
Sorting	In the vineyard and at the sorting table
Vinification	In woodenvats
Maturing	50% new barrels
Harvest 2011	From September 12 th to September 28 th
Blend 2011	60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 35% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot
Bottling date	From May 06 th to May 29 th 2013

VINTAGE 2011:

Between April and May: 61 days of dry weather has passed and the vine took the opportunity to move forward! After blocking the growth in June, regular rainfall has humidified the deep soils and the vines sometimes take a cycle of "pushing".

We have adapted our farming practices by controlling the tillage and trims to stem vegetative process too intense which could lead to a negative quality.

On September 23, in a beautiful sunny day, we picked the Petit Verdot, and the great Cabernets tray will be ready for next week.

The grapes of Merlot are large (very large this year, we were collected in 5 days from September 12 to 16)

In summary, the 2011 were marked by the break of June, where all our viticulture practices were put in place early between the months of April and May which triggered the memory of Mediterranean vineyard and the months of July and August, which called the memory of ocean and therefore Bordeaux winemakers.

TASTING NOTES:

Noble and more contained, this deep wine needs more time before revealing its true character. Distinguished and complex, aromas of juicy yellow peaches, graphite, cedar and roasted notes follow one another harmoniously in the bouquet. Beautiful body and substance envelopes the structure. Combining gentle and precisely textured tannins, the wine's energy intensifies in the second half of the palate. Juniper wood, rose and other fine spices provide an elegant accompaniment to the long finish.

AWARDS

Wine advocate : Parker 87-89 Revue du vin de France – 16/20

Wine spectator : 89-92

Decanter – 17/20

Jancis Robinson – 16.5/20

Journal Tasted – 16.5-17/20