

## CHÂTEAU CARTIER 2011

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## Vintage weather conditions

After a mild, dry winter, budding was early (two weeks earlier than usual). Summer quickly took over from spring. The temperatures recorded overall were above the seasonal average, and the weather was dry. Flowering began similarly early and went very well. On 26 and 27 June, the temperature exceeded 40°C, causing burns on some grapes. July and August were gloomy but the vine cycle retained its head start on growth. The early harvests benefited from particularly favourable conditions in September.

Harvest area Harvest terroir	17,59 hectares clay limestone soil on the slopes and clay-silt at the foot of the slopes
Grapes Harvested Harvest dates	100 % Merlot 6 to 24 september
Winemaking Cultivation methods	General sheet Organic and biodynamic wine Organic wine, Agriculture France FR-BIO-07 Biodyvin check by ECOCERT France SAS
Maturation	75 % in barrels 25 % in vats
Yield Production	47 hectolitres/ha 39.426 bottles

## **Tasting notes**

Château Cartier 2011 is a ruby red colour with a hint of orange. The airy nose initially offers up mild tobacco and dried flower aromas, before gently developing some touches of spice. On the palate the wine is lingering and refined, supported by well-proportioned tannins. A silky texture. The medium finish is embellished with subtle oak and delicate toasted notes.

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