

# Château du Glana

## 2011 Vintage

A very early vintage !

Apart from a cold, snowy spell in December 2010, the winter was mild and dry. The key characteristic of the growing season was the absence of spring, as winter was followed directly by summer, with extraordinarily warm weather in April and May that accelerated the vines' vegetative growth, resulting in a particularly early bud-break and early, rapid flowering. The water deficit remained severe up until mid-July, when véraison, or colour change, started.

There was regular rainfall from then until September, followed by abnormally hot, sunny weather for the season, leading to difficult conditions that were particularly favourable to complete ripening of the Cabernet Sauvignon.

However, Cabernet Sauvignon, the dominant grape variety on our estate, produced very low yields.

We paid special attention not to extract too much tannin during fermentation, in order to ensure that our wines reflected the true character of our appellation. As a result, our wines are very fruity with very voluptuous tannins, which are likely to be lovely to drink when young. A real winemaker's vintage...

*Ludovic & Julien Meffre - April 2012*



### CHÂTEAU DU GLANA 2011

**Harvest dates :** September 9th to September 29th 2011

**Blend :** 51% Cabernet Sauvignon, 49% Merlot

**Maturing :** 12 months aging, 45% new barrels

**Bottling date :** From May 27th to 31st 2013

**Yield :** 49 hl/ha

**Production :** 112 000 bottles

**Alcohol by volume :** 13%



### THE ESTATE

**Surface Area :** 59,50 ha

**Soil :** Garonne gravel

**Average age of the vines :** 25 years

**Grape varieties :** 53% Cabernet Sauvignon, 43% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc

**Density :** 7000 vines/ha

**Pruning :** Guyot double

**Winemaking :** Temperature control, maceration in cool conditions, 3 weeks of vatting (concrete and stainless), traceability monitoring, malolactic fermentation in vat.

**Maturing :** 12 months in barrels, % of new oak depending on vintages (french oak), selection of cooperages.

**Second wine :** Pavillon du Glana

**Owner :** Jean-Paul Meffre

**Winemaker Consulting :** Christophe Ollivier

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