



CHATEAU
LYNCH  BAGES

ECHO DE LYNCH-BAGES

APPELLATION
Pauillac

CLASSIFICATION
2nd wine of Château Lynch-Bages

VINTAGE
2011

OWNER
Jean-Michel CAZES



Surface: 90 hectares

« Terroir » (soil): Garonne Gravel

Harvest: Hand-picked and sorted at the vineyard

Ageing: French oak barrels for 12 months.

In barrels used for one previous vintage.

Blending: 47% Cabernet Sauvignon, 41% Merlot, 12% Cabernet Franc

Production: 30% of the harvest

« *The Rite of Spring* »

2011 was a curious year with a remarkably warm and dry spring. Consequently, flowering took place early and in fine conditions.

July was cool and saw some rain, while August was mixed, cooler than average overall but with some heat spikes and some storms. September was warm and dry enabling the grapes to ripen fully.

Harvest began at Château Lynch-Bages (almost a fortnight earlier than in 2010) on September 12th and ended on September 28th.

Equipped with a new de-stemming system and an optical sorter, a complementary reception chain was tried out, receiving exclusively the harvest from plots deemed the most difficult or the most heterogeneous.

Echo de Lynch Bages 2011 stands out for the very high proportion of Merlot in its blending. On the nose, aromas of blackberry, cassis and red berries, along with a peppery note. The finish is tasty and exhibits good length.