Mas de Daumas Gassac
Red 2011

Here in the Gassac valley, we speak about vintages. Each year Mother Nature creates uniqueness and the 2011 vintage is perfect example.

2011 started with a hot, dry spring, resulting in the vines flowering three weeks earlier than usual. We were therefore anticipating a very early harvest.

However, as Nature works magic, we were blessed by a cool summer and two rainfalls which enabled us to start picking at the same time as in previous years.

As a result, during the second fortnight of September, we harvested the Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Pinot Noir, Nebiolo, Dolcetto, Tempranillo, Malbec, Petit Verdot,…and ended, as usual, with the uncloned **Cabernet Sauvignon**, "king" of the Gassac valley.

Today, mid-way through maturing in our cellar, the symphony of grapes that makes up the Daumas Gassac is showing an incredible complexity, **the red 2011 explodes in the mouth !**

Smooth, elegant, great finesse … are words that spring to mind at the first tasting.

It opens on definite hints of **dark chocolate, coffee, red fruit**, moving on fast to a thoroughly rounded mouth which emphasizes the finesse and elegance of the tannins, with a long **powerful and velvety** finish.

The 2011 is a mouthwatering wine, full of flavour, lifted by the well balanced acidity and freshness so characteristic of the wines coming from the Daumas Gassac terroir.

This vintage is already thoroughly seductive. Those who enjoy youthful fruity aromas will love it, whilst those who appreciate great wines to lay down will be won over even now by its ageing potential and the promise that the Daumas Gassac 2011 will evolve brilliantly over the years.

The Guibert family thanks you for your loyalty and hope to have the pleasure of welcoming you soon in the Gassac valley.

Aimé, Véronique, Samuel, Gaël et Roman Guibert

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