

# ~ VINTAGE NOTES 2011 ~

## HARVEST 2011:

The season started quite late and wet with budbreak finally revealing itself in early May. A heavier than normal crop was thinned down to handle the late season, but even into the last part of August there was not significant heat to convince us that everything would get ripe enough. We thinned again at veraison (color change) and headed into September with cool, wet weather. As we were about to lose all hope towards the beginning



of October, the sun decided to shine! A beautiful Indian summer saved this “Miracle Vintage” and though we were picking into the middle of November, the fruit was ripe and sound. This vintage will be remembered as the latest on record to date. It resembles, in structure, fruit intensity and color, the beautiful 1999 vintage.

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