

Vintage Report 2011

RED WINE YEAR!

Red wines at 12-13% natural!
No sparkling grapes this time.
Small berries - below medium
crop

Very ripe wood thanks to leaves
staying on till late November.

Early flowering.

Mediocre mid season

Some hot weather at the end

No frosts at time of writing -
November 20 2011.

Date Picked	Variety	Oechsle	Acidity G/L	Crop Size	Notes
September 23rd	Madeleine Angevine	73.00	7.40	Medium	Medium crop - small berries
September 24th	Madeleine Angevine	72.00	8.00	Medium	
September 25th	Rondo/Pinot Noit Early	89.00	6.25	Light	as always PNE v light & v small
27 Sep 2011	Madeleine Angevine	80.00	7.00	Medium	
2 Oct 2011	Regent	82.00	6.50	Medium	
2 Oct 2011	Pinot Noir Early	90.00	6.00	Light	
3 Oct 2011	Reichensteiner	79.00	9.00	Medium	
4 Oct 2011	Reichensteiner	81.00	8.50	Medium	
4 Oct 2011	Schonburger	84.00	7.50	Light	
4 Oct 2011	Rondo	79.00	9.00	Light	
8 Oct 2011	Seyval	76.00	9.00	V Light	Seyval almost non existent in SW
8 Oct 2011	Orion	61.00	8.00	Light	
8 Oct 2011	Reichensteiner	88.00	9.00	Light	
15 Oct 2011	Dornfelder	63.00	9.00	Heavy	Heaviest crop to date
15 Oct 2011	Pinot Gris	72.00	10.30	Light	Very small berries
15 Oct 2011	Seyval Blanc	79.00	9.50	V Light	
CONCLUSION	Very ripe season with very variable set. In the SW Madeleines & Dornfelder did the best. Seyval was just about non-existent: a rest year.				
	Small berry size a feature .				
	Red varieties at non chaptalisation levels.				