

## Press Articles

# The 2011 Vintage

## — Château Fougas Maldoror —

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**Gold Medal Mundus Vini Biofach 2013**

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**"Coup de cœur" Guide Hachette des vins 2014**

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**2\*\*** "One of the appellation's benchmark wines which garners a Judges' Favourite accolade again with its Maldoror label, a tribute to the famous book by Isidore Ducasse, otherwise known as Lautréamont. The 2011 thus joins its illustrious predecessors from 2003, 2001, 1998 and 1995. Jean-Yves Bechet sets aside 12 hectares of vineyards for his flagship wine made from Merlot (75%) and Cabernet-Sauvignon grown organically and, since 2010, biodynamically. The result is remarkable: Ruby-red hue with dark purple tints; complex bouquet of red and black fruits, violet, pepper, liquorice and cedar; the palate is honest, full and powerful yet shows no harshness whatsoever, coated with round, silky tannins that leave a sensation of great harmony on the finish. A wine of noble extract, cellar for the next three to five years."

**Guide Hachette des vins 2014 p.219**

**3\*\*\*** "A very savoury offering. Sporting an intense garnet-red hue with purple tints, this wine reveals a fairly shy yet already intense nose intermixing aromas of black fruits, a touch of violet, fern and a trace of roasted coffee. A full, powerful attack heralds a delicious, fleshy, well-structured palate laden with black fruits supported by dense, tightly-wound tannins. Wonderful balance. A reliable choice"

**Guide des vins en biodynamie p.81 - Évelyne MALNIC - 2013**

**Score 16.5/20, 1\*** "Totally in the spirit of Bordeaux, with colour, wonderful spice and ripe fruit scents lifted by charming, finely toasted oak, the 2011 is extremely successful in this vintage."

**Best wines of France Guide 2014 p. 145**

**Score 15/20** "Lovely depth, harmonious oak influence and sappy finish."

**Terre de vin p. 76 - BETTANE DESSEAUVE Selection - May 2012**

"Oaked, round, fairly supple, soft palate with elegant, silky tannins."

**Le POINT p. 50 - Jacques DUPONT - May 2012**

**Score 88-90/100** "Red fruits, harmonious palate, wonderful density and retro-olfaction of roasted coffee."

**The Wine Patriot p.4 - Antoon LAURENT - May 2012**

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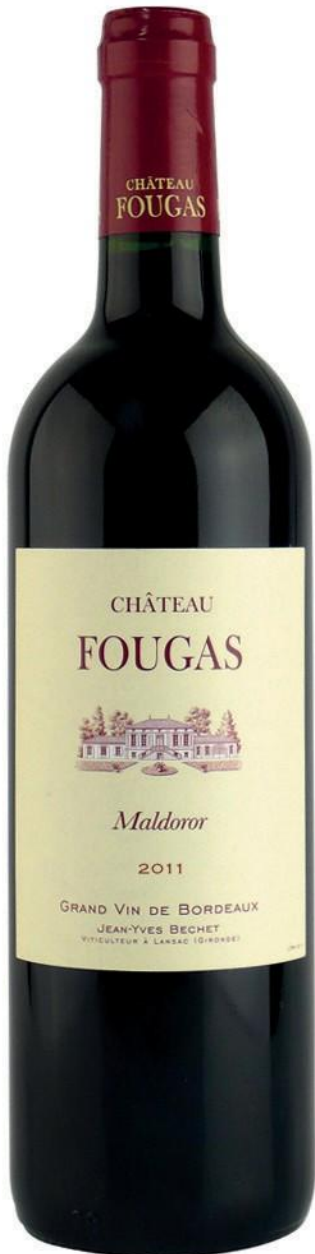
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"Lovely spicy, upright character with a firm, striking tannin grain. A finely aged, likeable wine with a very strong personality."

***La Revue du Vin de France, Spécial 2011 vintage p. 59***

***"Outstanding successes" - June 2012***

**Score 17-17,50/20** "Crimson with black. Very cassis, blackberry and raspberry nose that is resinous, fairly violent and powerful. Round, supple, easy-drinking and fleshy palate. Wonderful attack then firm tannins to support body. Shows the vibrancy of organic wine. Enjoyable and well-made."

***Jean-Christophe ESTEVE - May 2012***

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