



## TECHNICAL NOTES 2012 WHITES - 2011 REDS

“2011 was a unique vintage for L’Aventure for many reasons. It was the longest and coolest growing season in our winery’s history. It also brought us a late frost which was then followed by weather induced shatter in June. All together the damage caused by these events resulted in roughly 50% normal yields. These wines are elegantly styled, and reflect the very best offerings of this vintage.”

- Stephan Asseo

### ESTATE ROSÉ 2012

BOTTLED JANUARY 2013

46% Syrah, 28% Mourvèdre, 20% Grenache, 6% Petit Verdot  
100% Estate grown fruit from L’Aventure Vineyard  
Very long and cool (15 C) alcoholic fermentation  
No skin contact  
No malolactic fermentation  
No barrel fermentation, 100% tank fermentation  
Drink: 1-2 years

### ESTATE CUVÉE BLANC 2012

BOTTLED MARCH 2013 - WINE CLUB EXCLUSIVE

40% Roussanne, 35% Grenache Blanc, 25% Viognier  
100% Estate grown fruit from L’Aventure Vineyard  
Very low yield: Less than 1 ton per acre for this vintage  
30% new French oak, 50% 1-year old French oak, 20% 2-year old French oak  
No malolactic fermentation in barrel  
Length of aging: 8 months  
Drink: 1-6 years

### OPTIMUS 2011

BOTTLED MARCH 2013

50% Syrah, 33% Cabernet Sauvignon, 17% Petit Verdot  
100% Estate grown fruit from L’Aventure Vineyard  
Very low yield: 2 to 2.5 tons per acre  
70% new French oak and 30% 1-year old French oak with malolactic fermentation in barrel  
No fining, no filtering  
Length of aging: 14 months  
Drink: 2-13 years

### ESTATE CUVÉE 2011

BOTTLED MARCH 2013

48% Syrah, 28% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Petit Verdot  
100% Estate grown fruit from L’Aventure Vineyard  
Very low yield: 1.5 to 2 tons per acre (with 2100 vines per acre)  
100% new French oak with malolactic fermentation in barrel  
No fining, no filtering  
Length of aging: 15 months  
Drink: 15+ years

## **CÔTE A CÔTE 2011**

BOTTLED MARCH 2013

40% Syrah, 38% Mourvèdre, 22% Grenache

100% Estate grown fruit from L'Aventure Vineyard

Very, very low yield: 1 ton per acre for Mourvèdre, 2 tons per acre for Grenache and Syrah (with 2100 vines per acre)

40% new French oak and 60% 1-year old French oak with malolactic fermentation in barrel

No fining, no filtering

Length of aging: 14 months

Drink: 15+years

## **SIBLING 2011**

BOTTLED MARCH 2013 - WINE CLUB EXCLUSIVE

42% Syrah, 38% Grenache and 20% Mourvèdre

100% Estate grown fruit from L'Aventure Vineyard

Very low yield

40% new French oak and 60% 1-year old French oak

No fining, no filtering

Length of aging: 14 months

Drink: 2-10 years

## **CHLOÉ 2011**

BOTTLED MARCH 2013 - WINE CLUB EXCLUSIVE

76% Syrah Block McVey, 24% Old Grenache Block - CO-FERMENTED

100% Estate grown fruit from L'Aventure Vineyard

Very low yield

40% new French oak and 60% 1-year old French oak

No fining, no filtering

Length of aging: 14 months

Drink: 15+ years