

Châteauneuf du Pape 2019



Bold and opulent, this Leo-influenced wine is a true homage to Grenache, Chateauneuf's most emblematic varietal. This blend of the major terroir types found here offers an extraordinary expression.

Ripe intensity from the stone covered vineyards, richness from clay soils and purity from the sandy terroirs, this very elegant and harmonious wine displays a perfect balance between power and finesse.

Vineyard:

Very old Grenache (over 100 years old) located between Orange and Courthezon. The blend is 85% Grenache, 10% Syrah & 5% Mourvèdre.

Harvest:

Successive pickings to harvest each bunch at its ideal ripeness. The initial sorting in the vineyard is followed by a second one at the winery

Winemaking:

The grapes are destemmed but not crushed.

Extractions are very gentle using only manual "pigeage" and fermentation temperatures are kept to 28°C (82°F) during approximately 5 weeks.

Aging takes place in 1 & 2 year old burgundy demi muids (600L) made with exclusively French oak.

This wine was neither fined nor filtered before bottling in order to preserve its personality and intensity.

Aging:

Although this wine could be enjoyed young, it will only develop its full character much later. It will keep its freshness for at least 20 years after bottling.

Production: 3 840 bottles

Distinctions:

Jeb Dunnuck - (92-94) pts