

Domaine La Boutinière



The red wine cuvée GRANDE RÉSERVE

The controlled appellation of origin : CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

Vineyard - Location and soils : This Cuvée Grande-Réserve Rouge is a plot selection of old vines planted in 1902 on the famous lieudits of Châteauneuf-du-Pape "La Crau" with a sandy soil and a red clay subsoil, the average age of the vines is 100 years.

Blend : 78% Grenache, 16% Mourvèdre, and 6% Syrah.

The blend of the Grande Réserve is different each year to express the best blend of the Domaine vintage.

Yields (in 2018) : 20hl/ha

Annual production (2018) : 5 000 bottles

Vinification :

Manual harvest with sorting in the vineyard and in the cellar, 80% is destemmed, the grape varieties are vinified separately in wooden vats, with pumping and load shedding, maceration of 25 to 45 days, depending on the grape variety, Aging for 20% in barrels and 80% in conical wooden vats for a period of 12 months.

Alcohol content : 15 %

Tasting (for Sommelier Pierre Fernandez - The Best Vintage) :

A purple dress with a rather discreet intensity.

A nose of remarkable aromatic intensity and eminently complex. The first scent announces the mirabelle plum, plum, blood oranges, dried roses, but also, sandalwood, sweet notes of blond tobacco, sage and garrigue.

With a serious complexity is required: first, a full bouquet of black fruit (blackcurrant, black cherry, fig, blackberry, blueberry, then notes of zang, white and black pepper mixed, we find the garrigue and the mirabelle plum brandy. The tannins are silky and subtle, the texture on the palate is also complex, since the chewiness is indisputable while offering a fine and mellow velvety texture.

Finally, the proposed finish is sweet and languorous, and offers an endless aromatic persistence.

This cuvée is of singular nobility and faithfully reveals the authenticity of its terroir. A great Châteauneuf du Pape !

Food and wine pairing : with a leg of lamb or a rabbit in red wine.

Recommended serving temperature : 16-18 °C

Aging potential : 20 years



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