



Bright red Louis Bernard Cotes du Rhone-Villages 2007 has aroma of cherries: Wine Buy of the Week

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The bottle: Louis Bernard Cotes du Rhone-Villages 2007.

Price: \$13.99.

Varietal: 75 percent grenache, 25 percent syrah.

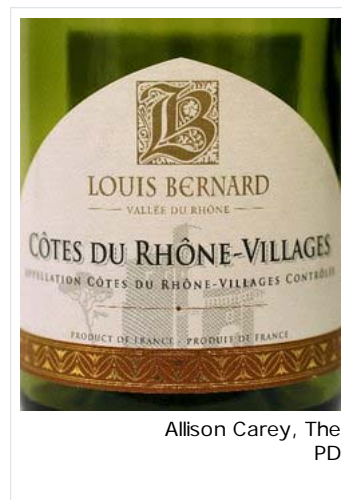
Where it's from: France's Rhone Valley, where Boisset Family Estates purchases grapes from 15 growers to create their Louis Bernard line of wines. The company also owns acres planted organically with clairette, grenache, grenache blanc, mourvedre, syrah and viognier.

Where we found it: Fresh Market in Shaker Heights.

Tasting notes: This bright red wine abounds in aromas of cherries and spice. Appealing flavors of sturdy fruit go slightly tart, with modest tannins leading to a soft finish. The wine is well-structured and ripe for sipping or teaming with food.

Pairings: Beef stew, coq au vin, pork roast, lasagna, seasonal soups and tangy cheeses.

Each week, Donald Rosenberg highlights a moderately priced wine worth trying. Listed retail prices are based on state of Ohio minimums.



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