



Les Cailloux Rouge 2015



A wine of Châteauneuf-du-Pape characteristic of the powerful terroir coupled with the finesse and elegance of Domaine Les Cailloux style.

Terroir

This cuvée gets its name from the unique and remarkable round pebbles present in the vineyards and is eponymous with name of our Domaine.

The vineyard is composed of multiple plots, each with its own characteristics which give this wine its incredible complexity. Bois de la Ville and Les Serres have a gravel bed which makes for perfect draining of water helping to obtain a very concentrated juice. Farguerol and Cansaud have red and blue clays which boast an extremely rich aromatic property. Finally Cabrières and Revès which have chalk-like limestone bring the overall structure and long finish to the wine.

Tasting Notes

The 2015 vintage, with exceptional climate conditions, allowed the Grenache to fully express itself. On the nose, dominant aromas of red fruits prevail and are enhanced by a touch of wood from the barrel-contained Syrah grapes. Fresh, juicy cherry and hints of leather give way to notes earthiness from the terrior. The tannins are harmonious and elegant and the long finish continues to impart the lovely and complex aromas of this cuvée... a perfect blend of strength and elegance coupled with freshness and complexity.

Wine and Food Pairing

Red Meat, Wild Game



Vinification

Maceration in concrete vats. Destemming at 70% for the Grenache, and total destemming for the other grape varieties. Racking and return for 5 weeks.



Maturing

Aging for 18 months in barrels from 1 to 2 years for the Syrah. Aging in concrete vats for 18 months for the other varieties. Final blending 6 months before bottling.



When to Drink

These wines may be enjoyed while young for full appreciation of the fresh red fruits brought by the Grenache. But their aging potential will fully reveal itself after a minimum of 5 years and will peak at around 10 years.



Blending

70% Grenache, 17% Mourvèdre, 10% Syrah, 3% Cinsault



Average Age of the Vines

60 years



Yield 30 hl/h



Type of Harvest

Exclusively manual