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Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe

Châteauneuf-du-Pape

Châteauneuf-du-Pape Blanc



Grower

Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe has been run by the Brunier family since 1891, when Henri Brunier gave his son Hippolyte plots on La Crau, the stony plateau above Bédarrides where Claude Chappe had built an optical telegraph tower. The fifth and sixth generations of the family now run the domaine. The vines are farmed following organic principles, ploughed and never irrigated, and every grape is picked by hand and sorted three times.

Vineyards

6 hectares on the stony Plateau de la Crau, in the south east of the appellation where the villages of Bédarrides, Châteauneuf-du-Pape and Courthézon meet. Miocene molasse, 1 to 1.5 metres deep, on a thick layer of stony clay, covered by the rounded pebbles known as galets roulés.

Vinification

Pneumatic pressing followed by static settling. Fermented in barriques, demi-muids and 30 hectolitre foudres, then matured on the lees in the same vessels. Bottled at one year.

Style

A white Châteauneuf-du-Pape of the classic school: floral rather than fruity, and defined by balance and freshness. It can go through a quieter phase between four and eight years of age, but the best vintages age as well as the reds. Serve at 12°C.

Grape varieties:
40% Clairette, 25% Grenache Blanc, 25% Roussanne, 10% Bourboulenc

Bottling options:
75cl

Closure:
Cork

Suitable for:
Vegetarians and vegans



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