



🕒 Le Terroir:

- Geographical location:** The vines are planted at the top of hillsides at an altitude of 320 to 350 m.
- Soil type:** Granite subsoil and sandy soil.
- Climate:** Sub-Mediterranean, cold winters and hot and dry summers. Rains regularly during the other seasons (approximately 600 to 700 mm per year).
- Grape variety:** 100% Syrah, vines are 20 years old, yield 43 hl / ha.
- Pruning method:** Cordon de Royat method of pruning and trellising on wires.
- Cultivation:** De-hydrated organic compost (bovine-manure based), treatment with herbal teas, bio-dynamic preparations, sulphur and Bordeaux mixture to maintain the balance between the vines and the soil. Leaf-thinning, removing laterals. Mechanical ploughing of the soil, alternate rows are left for natural grasses to grow.
- Harvesting:** Hand-picked harvest when grapes are ripe, selective grape picking in the vineyard, the grapes are harvested in buckets then tipped into harvesting bins which can contain up to 50kg of grapes, these bins are then taken to the wine cellar.

🕒 The Cellar:

- Arrival:** Selective grape sorting by hand on a vibrating sorting table, then 40% of the volume is destemmed.
- Fermenting:** Lasts 12 days with 1 pumping-over and 1 punching of the cap per day, the fermentation process takes place with natural yeasts between 28° and 34°C thanks to temperature controlled tanks.
- Pressing:** Grapes are placed in a pneumatic press, then put in tanks for malolactic fermentation.
- Maturing:** Maturing period lasts 6 months in oak barrel(80%) and tank (20%). Tangential filtration. Bottling took place in April 2019.

🕒 Winetasting:

- Alcohol level:** 13 % Alc./Vol.
- Ageing potential:** The wine is to be drunk during its youth.
- Aromas:** A full-flavoured blend revealing spicy and small red berry aromas with soft tannins.



This wine can be served with local cold pork meats, grilled meat or meat cooked in a sauce.

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