

CHÂTEAU DE BEAUCASTEL







Château de Beaucastel Blanc Roussanne Vieilles Vignes 2004

PRESENTATION

Considered as one of the greatest white wines in France, only 6000 bottles of this wine are produced. It's made with 100% very old Roussanne vines and harvested slightly over ripe. This exceptional wine must be drunk within 3 years or after 15 years. To be enjoyed with gastronomic cuisine.

THE VINTAGE

An exceptional vintage.

Very small production because of the impact of 2003 and the severe mistral for 9 days at 70km/h. However, high pressure and beautiful weather protected the harvest from rain.

LOCATION

Château de Beaucastel has 7 hectares planted in white varieties.

TFRROIR

Molasse seabed of the Miocene period covered by diluvial alpine deposits (rolled pebbles).

AGFING

The grapes are hand picked in small cases and sorted, pneumatically pressed, settling of the juices and fermentation (30% in oak, 70% tanks). Bottled after 8 months.

VARIETAL

Roussanne 100%

SERVING

14°C in tasting glasses.

TASTING

Yellow gold colour, with pale gold tones.

Dense and complex nose with traces of white peaches, jasmine, sweet spices, and bees wax.

Mouth round and rich, balanced on an impressive freshness, with almost a salty after-taste by its mineral finish.

A very concentrated wine showing amazing potential for this vintage.

REVIEWS AND AWARDS

Wine Spectator

"Rich and honeyed, with guava and mango flavors leading the way for lemon curd, blanched almond, fig and fresh, sweet butter notes. Very creamy and very long, with the flavors deftly lingering on the finish. Ready to be enjoyed, but can also be cellared" Wine Spectator, 31/05/2007



"Very deep honey colour. Already attractive nose with strong linden leaf notes on great weight. Rich, sweet, full but sufficient acidity too. Broad and satin textured, Totally seductive and very long. It tastes stronger than 13.5%. 70 year-old Roussanne vines. Half oaked"

Jancis Robinson, 11/01/2006



Lobert Carker

95/100 "The outrageously good 2004 Beaucastel Chateauneuf du Pape blanc Vieilles Vignes is monumental, with wonderful notes of litchi, marmalade, honeysuckle, huge body, but great acidity and definition. This is an amazing wine that is just sumptuous to drink now, and probably should be consumed over the near-term, but I wouldn't be surprised to find this exquisite in 15 or 20 years."

Wine advocate

