

FAMILLE RAVOIRE

Depuis 1593



Laurent Pontaud - AOP Côtes du Rhône Vieilles Vignes Red 2022

AOC Côtes du Rhône, Vallée du Rhône, France

Since the 13th century, the Pontaud family have been farmer growers in the villages of Gaujac and Laudun. Over the generations, they have contributed to the expansion, development, and modernisation of the family estate. The farms originally focused on growing fruits and vegetables, but reached a significant turning point thanks to Virgile, the Mayor of Gaujac and founder of the Cooperative Cellar. Under his management the farm was converted in part into a vineyard.

PRESENTATION

The old vine stocks grow in soils that are typical of the Rhone Valley. They draw strength from deep roots, exploring mineral strata that confer unique nuances to the wines. Their limited yield further intensifies the concentration of the aromas, offering a rich and wellbalanced sensory palette.

This exceptional Côtes du Rhône stands out thanks to its robust character and elegance, that are the result of know-how handed down from one generation to the next. The alliance of an emblematic terroir and the meticulous work of the winegrowers gives rise to a vintage where tradition blends in with innovation, ensuring that each tasting is a pleasantly memorable experience.

TERROIR

Nature of the soils: clay-limestone.

WINEMAKING

The grapes are picked at their optimal phenolic maturity. They are then stemmed and crushed followed by temperature-controlled alcoholic fermentation with gentle, regular extraction by pumping-over. Vatting lasts a fortnight.

VARIETALS

Grenache noir 60%, Syrah 40%

TECHNICAL DATA

Residual Sugar: < 2 g/l

SERVING

Ideal serving temperature: from 16°C to 18°C

TASTING

Beautiful garnet-red colour with purple hues. The nose reveals complex aromas of over-ripe fruits, liquorice, violets, and black pepper. The attack is pleasantly frank on the palate, the wine is well-structured but also refined and round with long-lasting aromas for the finish.

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