



Southern Rhône, Domaine la Cabotte, Colline, AOP Côtes du Rhône, Blanc

AOP Côtes du Rhône, Vallée du Rhône, France

Domaine la Cabotte is named for the small stone shelters and tool sheds used by growers in the vineyards. Purchased in 1981 and owned by the Burgundian Plumet family ever since, this winery has grown from 10 to 30 hectares of vines planted around the estate, as well as 1.5 hectares in Châteauneuf-du-Pape. It is certified organic and farmed biodynamically. The mainly limestone and sandy soils of the plateau of the Massif d'Uchaux are very poor in nutrients, producing wines of real finesse and elegance.

PRESENTATION

Marie-Pierre and Eric use the lunar calendar as a guidepost for appropriate natural vine treatments. Keeping the yields low, an uncommon practice in the high-yielding Côtes-du-Rhône, is paramount to their philosophy. They prune aggressively in the winter, de-bud in the spring and perform a green harvest in the summer. After the harvest, all of the grapes are sorted rigorously (once in the vineyards, another at the winery) and are de-stemmed. Fermentation takes place quickly, and the must is pumped-over twice a day. The wines then go through a post-fermentation maceration of six to seven days to soften the tannins. The wines are aged in tanks and bottled in the spring.

TERROIR

The terroir of our Côtes du Rhône Blanc is composed of siliceous sandstone and calcareous sandstone. These stony, sandy-clay soils facilitate good rooting and a balanced water regime.

IN THE VINEYARD

To express all the particularities of the terroir, and the typicity typicity of the vineyard (45ha in a single block, including 30 hectares of vines), they maintain a harmonious ecological balance, respecting the natural cycles of the earth to constantly regenerate and renew the life soil life. This is the basis of the commitment to organic and and biodynamic viticulture.

WINEMAKING

The grapes are harvested very early in the morning to avoid the hot heat of the day. The grapes are then pressed, and the free-run juice is collected for 72 hours of cold settling. The must is then fermented in temperature-controlled vats. Our three grape varieties co-ferment together

Fermentation continues for several weeks.

VARIETALS

Grenache blanc 45%, Clairette 40%, Viognier

13.5 % VOL.

not contain milk or milk-based products.

SERVING

T° of service: 12°C / 54°F.

AGEING POTENTIAL

Enjoy all year long, 5 years





TASTING

This is a dry wine, with a nose that expresses aromas of summer fruit; fabulous soft and easy fruit, white peach, apricot. In the mouth it is straight, tight, a little saline expressing a beautiful minerality, with a rich, long, airy finish.

FOOD PAIRINGS

White meats, fish, cheeses.

