



# Southern Rhône, Domaine des Escaravailles, Le Ventabren, AOC Côtes du Rhône Villages Cairanne, Rouge

AOC Côtes du Rhône Villages Cairanne, Vallée du Rhône, France

Family estate owned by the Ferran family for 4 generations, founded in 1953 by Jean-Louis Ferran and managed since 1999 by his grandson Gilles, and joined by Gilles's daughter Madeline in 2018. The estate owes its name to the Occitan word "escaravay", which means "beetle", nickname that dates back to the 17th century. Vineyard in appellation Rasteau and Cairanne. The estate is mainly composed of old vines, that naturally produces a low yield. Next step: organic certification!

### **PRESENTATION**

Elegant and fine Cairanne.

A blend of different plots, mostly on the hillsides of the Appellation. Les Combes de la Pauline" and "La Baye-Bas" are very chalky soils. The Grenache grapes from the "Font Croze" plot are on sandy soil, which brings finesse to the final blend.

# WINEMAKING

Manual harvest with sorting of the grapes in the vineyard. Total de-stemming then fermentation in concrete vats, each variety is worked separately. Vatting time of 28 to 35 days with dailyThe wines are aged in concrete tanks for twelve months.

punching down and pumping over.

# **VARIETALS**

Grenache noir 70%, Syrah 20%, Carignan 10%

### **SERVING**

16°C/61°F

# AGEING POTENTIAL

Enjoy all year long, 3 to 5 years

Ruby red color. Nose of redcurrant and small berries associated with mentholated notes. Round and structured mouth with black fruits and white pepper aromas. An elegant wine with finesse.

### **FOOD PAIRINGS**

Piperade Basquaise - Roasted perdreaux with Sault spelt - Lamb tajine with apricots - Filet mignon with truffles - Camembert de Normandie - Warm chocolate lavender tart.

## **REVIEWS AND AWARDS**



**Decanter** 2021:90/100





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