



# Southern Rhône

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wine selection



## Southern Rhône, Domaine des Marvilhas, Espirito, AOC Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rouge

AOC Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Vallée du Rhône, France

The Domaine des Marvilhas faces the Châteauneuf-du-Pape valley and was created in 1967 by a vigneron, coming from the Oran region in Algeria. His elders taught him to work the vines with their future in mind, and he opted wisely to not use any kind of herbicides : that led to the organic conversion in 1992, and the biodynamic certification in 2004. Since 2014, the estate is conducted by Jean-Frederic and Morgane Bistagne, following the biodynamic principles.

### PRESENTATION

For them, biodynamic viticulture is an essential support tool.

It brings balance to the vine between the earth, the plant and its environment, and preserves the living organisms that benefit it. Organic treatments with plants and minerals contribute to natural defenses and deep, healthy roots to draw on the energy needed for harmonious development.

### LOCATION

The Marvilhas estate covers 24 hectares, 18 of which are planted with vines, with the remainder divided between garrigue and woodland. Parcels can be found in the Gard and Vaucluse regions, in the communes of Saint-Laurent des Arbres, Saint-Victor la Coste, Orange and Châteauneuf-du-Pape, a true diversity of terroirs and appellations.

### TERROIR

Pebbles and calcareous silex on clay-limestone soil.

### IN THE VINEYARD

40 years-old vines, planted with high density (4000 vines/ha), 35 hl/ha yield.

### WINEMAKING

Maceration for 14 days in stainless steel tank and half-muids.

Fermented with wild yeasts, soft pumping-overs.

### AGEING

Aged for 16 months in triangle wooden tanks and 9 months in bottles before release.

### VARIETAL

Syrah 100%

GM: no

Contains sulphites. Does not contain egg or egg products. Does not contain milk or milk-based products.

### SERVING

16°C/61°F

### AGEING POTENTIAL

Enjoy all year long, 3 to 5 years

### TASTING

Subtle and powerful wines : truffle notes, incense and cardamom, raced and delicate wine.



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## FOOD PAIRINGS

meat in sauce, red meat, cheese, game, pigeon in sauce.

## REVIEWS AND AWARDS



90/100

"Although marked by peppermint aromas strongly reminiscent of horse liniment and tart notions of red-berry compote, the 2020 Chateauneuf du Pape Espirito boasts decent concentration, a medium to full-bodied palate, balanced acids and a silky enough finish. A Syrah-only cuvée aged in wooden vats and demi-muids, it's strange stuff but enjoyable and intriguing."

**Wine Advocate**

