



Southern Rhône

BRUNOLAFON
wine selection



Domaine Richaud, Bulbille, AOC Côtes du Rhône, Rouge

AOC Côtes du Rhône, Vallée du Rhône, France

Established in 1960, this 60-hectare family estate is located in the heart of the Cairanne appellation. At just 17, Marcel took over his parents' legacy, leaving the cooperative to follow his own creative vision. Today, he runs the domaine with the help of his son, Thomas, and daughter, Claire. In the 1980s, Marcel expanded the estate by acquiring 3 hectares on the Ebrescade terroir, where old vines are planted on sediment, marl, and small stones from the Rasteau Massif at 250 meters in altitude.

TERROIR

The grapes used in Bulbille are sourced from sandy and shallow soils situated southeast of the village of Cairanne. Notably, the majority of the grapes hail from the family vines, with a focus on those from Marie Richaud's vineyards, specifically La Canarde and Sousville.

IN THE VINEYARD

The grapes are carefully harvested at an early stage of maturity to retain optimal acidity, a critical element preserved during the initial stages of harvest. This proactive approach enhances the wine's freshness, a quality often challenged in drier years. The selection process prioritized the use of the exquisite Counoise grape, a native variety seldom employed in the cellars, prized for its fruitiness, low alcohol content, and harmonious compatibility with Grenache and Cinsault.

WINEMAKING

All the grapes are co-fermented through carbonic maceration in concrete vats. Maintained at a consistently low temperature, ranging between 17°C and 20°C. For seven days, this method aims to extract a maximum amount of fruit essence and crunchiness. The vinification process is entirely natural, eschewing additives, chemical yeast, fining, filtration, or sulfites.

AGEING

The wine is aging in concrete tanks for a duration of eight months, stored in a stable temperature environment within an underground cellar until bottling.

VARIETALS

Counoise 50%, Grenache noir 25%, Cinsault 25%

13.5 % VOL.

No sulphites.

AGEING POTENTIAL

Enjoy all year long

TASTING

Bulbille exhibits a clear and brilliant red hue. The wine presents dominant flavors of crunchy and tangy red fruit, specifically strawberry and raspberry, both on the nose and palate. With a notable drinkability and refreshing character, the finish is marked by a pleasing acidity.



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