



# Southern Rhône

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wine selection

## Domaine Julien Masquin, Montplaisir, AOP Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rouge, 2019

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



Paul Masquin, grandfather of current proprietor, bought a few vines in Courthézon in 1936. However, busy with the creation of a brush company, he entrusted them in sharecropping to neighboring winegrowers. Caressing the dream of making his own wines, his grandson Julien took over the estate in 1998. He devoted all his efforts to the return of sustainable farming methods and environmentally friendly practices. A decade later, the first vintage of Domaine Julien Masquin came to life.

### PRESENTATION

The Grenache and Mourvèdre grapes are planted in the Saint Georges / les Saintes Vierges area, a terroir of rolled pebbles and red clay. The Syrahs are planted on the sandy terroir of Les Cassanets, giving them a fine, well-balanced texture.

### TERROIR

Soils made of rounded pebbles, red clays and brown sands.

### IN THE VINEYARD

Julien takes special care of his land and is very meticulous about preserving the local biodiversity: all vineyard work is carried out mechanically, without herbicides nor pesticides and the vines are manured with organic material only.

### WINEMAKING

Hand-picked and sorted. Partially destemmed, and transferred to concrete vessels for fermentation.

### AGEING

Aged in concrete (60%), half-muids and oak barrels (40%) for 12 months.

### VARIETALS

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

### 15,5 % VOL.

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

### SERVING

16°C/61°F

### TASTING

Red wine with notes of garrigues, black fruits, black cherries, spices, freshness, gourmandise.

### FOOD PAIRINGS

Red meats, meats in sauce, game, cheese.



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## REVIEWS AND AWARDS



90 (2018) | 2019 not tasted yet

"Notes of espresso, smoked meat and black olives appear on the nose of the 2018 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Montplaisir, balanced by blackberry fruit. An oaked blend (...), it's medium to full-bodied, with some slightly drying wood tannins that come through on the finish."

**Joe Czerwinski, Robert Parker, 24/09/2020**

### **JEB DUNNUCK**

91-93 (2018) | 2019 not tasted yet

"The 2018 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Montplaisir offers impressive concentration as well as depth for a 2018. Deeper ruby colored with a ripe, smoky nose of red and black currants, scorched earth, and roasted garrigue, it's medium to full-bodied, has a layered texture, ripe tannins, and a good finish. It's going to evolve gracefully for 10-12 years or more."

**Jeb Dunnuck, Jeb Dunnuck**

