

# Wine Spectator

## **DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2020 – 91 Points**

Perfumed and inviting, with high-toned red licorice, violet, spiced berry and plum, laced with white pepper and graphite shaving. Silky on the palate, this is a less weighty, more delicate style showing elegance. Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre, Cinsault and Counoise. Drink now through 2030. –KB



## **DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE Châteauneuf-du-Pape Secrète Réserve 2019 – 95 points**

Sleek and inviting, with showy red plum, winey raspberry coulis and blackberry liberally layered with warm cedar and smoked vanilla bean. Boasts black pepper and crushed garrigue that bring freshness, succulent acidity and balance. This has great length and still needs time to unfurl its tightly coiled layers. Grenache and Syrah. Best from 2024 through 2035. —K.B.

## **DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE Châteauneuf-du-Pape Cornelia Constanza 2020 - 94 points**

A seductive, polished red, with sappy cherry, black currant and warm licorice melting together, all upheld by a spine of iron. Offers garrigue, black pepper and singed apple wood smoke accents on the lush palate, which shows real drive, staying power and good balance. Best from 2024 through 2035. —K.B.



## **DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE Châteauneuf-du-Pape Barberini 2020 - 93 points**

Offers crushed dark plum, baked cherry pie and rooibos tea flavors that are fleshy yet pure, with good vibrancy and lift. Juicy and supple, with chalky tannins coating through the medium-length finish, with graphite adding mineral depth. Grenache, Mourvèdre and Syrah. Drink now through 2035. —K.B.

**DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE Châteauneuf-du-Pape Vin de la Solitude 2020 - 93 points**

Stylish and modern, with a sleek beam of fresh, juicy cherry and red currant layered with baking spices, toasted cedar and smoke. Shows good harmony on the palate, with a fine vein of minerality that glides through the silky finish. Counoise, Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre, Cinsault, Clairette, Bourboulenc, Roussanne and Roussanne. Drink now through 2030. —K.B.



**FAMILLE LANÇON Côtes du Rhône La Solitude 2020 – 89 Points**

Delivers crushed red currant and cherry coulis that show nice focus and purity, edged in graphite with a liberal dusting of white and black pepper. The silky palate is marked by dusty granite and earth, with a whiff of smoke and earth and fine tannins that frame the finish. Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre. Drink now through 2028. —KB

**FAMILLE LANÇON Gigondas Bellecoste 2020 – 92 Points**

A generous red, with a lovely earth note weaving throughout, surrounded by dried cherry, red currant fruit, leather, incense and refreshing black pepper. Silky and concentrated, with great savory depth from black pepper, iron and smoke to bring savory balance. Reveals cashmere tannins on the finish. Grenache, Syrah, Cinsault and Mourvèdre. Drink now through 2030. —KB

