



# Wine Spectator's

February 12-2020

## DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE

Châteauneuf-du-Pape Vin de la Solitude  
2017

96 points | \$100 | 200 cases imported | Red



Ripe and well-packed, with dense and racy loganberry, red currant and plum fruit flavors, picking up mineral, sweet tobacco and *garrigue* accents along the way. The long finish pulls everything together with a tightly grained and polished feel. Serious juice. Counoise, Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre, Clairette, Bourboulenc, Roussanne and Grenache Blanc. Best from 2022 through 2038. —*J.M.*

## DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE

Châteauneuf-du-Pape Cornelia Constanza  
2017

95 points | \$105 | 150 cases imported | Red



This is squarely on the ripe, polished, seductive side of the spectrum, featuring a sleek core of cassis, raspberry and plum notes wrapped in red licorice details. Warm fruitcake and roasted apple wood accents fill in on the finish, with good energy to carry it off. Approachable now for its showy fruit, but there's no rush. Grenache. Drink now through 2036. —*J.M.*



## DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE

Châteauneuf-du-Pape Secrète Réserve 2016  
95 points | \$165 | 50 cases imported | Red

Very dark and winey, with well-steeped plum, blackberry and Black Mission fig fruit flavors layered together, laced with licorice snap details and carried by a singed alder hint on the finish. Shows serious heft, cut and drive. Grenache and Syrah. Best from 2022 through 2038. —*J.M.*



## DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE

Châteauneuf-du-Pape Barberini 2017  
94 points | \$75 | 150 cases imported | Red

Dark and winey, with steeped plum, black currant and blackberry fruit, coated with melted black licorice notes and backed by a tarry spine on the finish. A latent tug of dark earth keeps this grounded. Grenache, Syrah and Mourvèdre. Best from 2022 through 2038. —*J.M.*



## DOMAINE DE LA SOLITUDE

Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2017  
93 points | \$48 | 2,500 cases imported | Red

Warm and lush, with dark plum, blackberry and raspberry compote flavors rolling through, wrapped in black licorice notes and carried by a light tarry edge on the finish. Enjoyable up front, but has the stuffing for cellaring. Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre and Cinsault. Drink now through 2035. —*J.M.*

