



Vin de la Solitude 2022, A.O.C. Châteauneuf-du-Pape Produit issu de l'agriculture biologique FR-BIO-01 – Organic wine

# Blend

it is a tribute to our ancestor Paul Martin, who was one of the first French winemakers to sell his wine in bottles in the 18th century under the name "Vin de la Solitude". Made according to the 18th-century vinique art with very different blends where Grenache is not dominant. The wine consists of a large number of co-fermented grapes with much longer macerations than those made today. We have reissued the four original labels of the Wine of Solitude.

- Clairette 60%
- Grenache Blanc 20%
- Roussanne 20%

# Winemaking and Aging

The grapes of each grape variety are harvested by hand and then put in vats over their maturity. After pressing them, the juices are co-fermented in barrels of several wines. The alcoholic fermentation is due to indigenous yeasts, followed by the malolactic fermentation.

The wine is raised in barrels on lies for 10 months without raking. It is bottled without fining or filtering.

#### The vintage 2022

Total production: 1062 bottles et 31 magnums.

# **Tasting Notes**

Complex nose of candied fruits, gingerbread and brioche. The mouth is smooth with peach notes. Mineral final.

#### Recommendations

- To consume now through 2030.
- Serving temperature: 10/12 °C.



#### Rewards

### Jeb Dunnuck 94/100

I loved the 2022 Châteauneuf Du Pape Vin De La Solitude Blanc, an exotic, floral white based on 30% Clairette, 20% each Roussanne and Grenache Blanc, and the rest Clairette Rose, Picpoul, and Bourboulenc. Ripe melon, honeyed orange, toasted bread, and minty herbs all emerge from this complex, nuanced, medium-bodied beauty, and it has good depth and richness, a great sense of freshness, and outstanding length."

# Decanter 96/100

"Restrained aromatics lead to a full-bodied palate with great textural wealth. Not as obviously oaky as the domaine's other cuvées (though it is certainly generously oaked), this has some interesting grain and relief to the texture, and a long finish. Powerful, saline and well balanced despite its richness and flamboyance. Also contains 10% each of Bourboulenc, Clairette Rose and Piquepoul Blanc. This is the third vintage of this cuvée and already it's proving to be one of the most exciting white Châteauneufs available. Drinking Window: 2023 – 2034

### James Suckling 95/100

10 Apr, 2024 – Complex nose of brioche and bergamot with notes of candied oranges and white flowers. For such a full-bodied and rich dry white, this is very graceful, and ends with an intense stony minerality. A cuvee of one third clairette, one third roussanne and one third grenache blanc from biodynamically grown grapes. Matured in three-year-old oak. Drink or hold.