



2023

VIN DE LA SOLITUDE BLANC

A.O.C. CHATEAUNEUF DU PAPE

CLAIRETTE 60% - GRENACHE BLANC 20% - ROUSSANNE 20%

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ORGANIC WINE VIN BIODYNAMIQUE CERTIFIÉ DEMETER

Vin de la Solitude 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.

Production:

- Yields : 30 hl/hectare.
- Total production: 1630 bottles et 60 magnums.

Winemaking Notes:

- 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.

Tasting Notes:

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



DECANTER
97 POINTS

Macadamia oak notes are accompanied by some struck-match reduction, adding a smoky touch. Only medium-bodied, there's no excess weight or alcohol here; it's fresh, with marked acidity. This is a wine with serious intensity, salinity and length. It's currently quite tight due to the oak work, which is dominating the nose, too. That should harmonise within a few years to create a regal style of Châteauneuf. Fermented then aged in old barriques. Just 1,600 bottles made.

JAMES SUCKLING
96 POINTS

This feels like stepping into a still forest clearing, although the very subtle candied citrus aromas have nothing to do with that image. Fantastic balance of creaminess, very fine tannins and stony minerality, plus almost perfect integration of fruit and oak. A cuvee based on clairette with 20% each of grenache blanc and roussanne. From biodynamically grown grapes with Demeter certification. Drink or hold.



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