







# Famille Perrin Nature Côtes du Rhône Rouge 2011

Classic Côtes-du-Rhône, this wine is produced from organically grown grapes. Grenache and Syrah complement each other in this soft wine with aromas of red fruit and Garrigue. The finish is velvety. Organic is good!

## **PRESENTATION**

Certified organic by Ecocert, Perrin Nature is not only an organic Côtes-du-Rhône but also a great wine. Using our experience in organic farming at Beaucastel (one of the first big estates to turn to organic farming 40 years ago), this wine is a beautiful expression of fruit with delicate and soft tannins.

## THE VINTAGE

The 2011 vintage is a vintage of contrasts. That is to say an unusually hot, dry spring followed by a wet and rainy beginning of July and then an Indian summer lasting until the end of October. Carefully sorting and destemming the harvest allowed for a great vintage, particularly for the late harvest varieties.

## LOCATION

This wine comes from a vineyard located near the village of Tulette between Valréas and Vaison la Romaine, north of Orange on the locality of Domaine de Guarrigon. The vineyard is planted in Grenache and is certified organic by Ecocert.

#### **TERROIR**

Chalky clay soils.

# **AGEING**

In tanks and large oak vats.

Traditional vinification with long maceration (almost 3 weeks).

#### **VARIETALS**

Grenache, Syrah

#### **SERVING**

Service at 16°C/60 °F.

# **TASTING**

Appearance: Medium garnet colour, with bright red refl ections.

Nose: The nose shows macerated cherries, spices, licorice and notes of Garrigue (thyme,

rosemary, juniper).

Palate: The mouth is full bodied, with lots of fruit and ends with a great freshness. The tannins are elegant and fleshy.



#### **REVIEWS AND AWARDS**

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"The 2011 Côtes du Rhône Nature, which is largely Syrah with some Grenache aged in a combination of tank and large oak foudres, comes from organic vineyards, hence the name -Nature. This wine exhibits fresh strawberry and cherry fruit and a touch of Provencal herbs in a soft, light to medium-bodied style that is ideal for quaffing and drinking uncritically. It is well-made but best drunk in its first year or so of life."

Robert M. Parker, Jr., Wine Advocate, 01/02/2014

#### **WINEACCESS**

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"Bright violet color. Black and blue fruits, licorice and black pepper on the fragrant nose. A spicy, silky midweight with easygoing dark fruit flavors that pick up a hint of jamminess with aeration. Firming tannins come on late, adding grip to bitter chocolate and peppery spices on the finish."

Josh Raynolds, International Wine Cellar, 01/04/2014

