



FAMILLE PERRIN

Les Crus



Famille Perrin Vinsobres - Les Cornuds - 2012

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PRESENTATION

We really like the terroir of Vinsobres, a beautiful village located near Vaison la Romaine; The vineyard is at an altitude of 300m and is situated for the most part on terraces. Vinsobres is particularly suitable for Syrah because it preserves the finesse which is often lost in more southern climates. It develops notes of violet, smoked meat and blackberries. Grenache is also suited to this terroir, full bodied and not heavy, with notes of black chocolate, cherry and typical Garrigue aromas.

THE VINTAGE

2012 is a vintage of contrasts with a very mild start of the year and a freezing month of February.

A fresh and humid spring, followed by a windy and dry month of July and a very hot month of August.

The harvesting conditions were ideal. All these conditions make a great vintage.

LOCATION

The most northern vineyard of the southern Rhône. The Perrin family owns around 60 hectares in one single plot in Vinsobres. The average altitude is 300 metres on hills and terraces.

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TERROIR

Stony and sandy marl on the slopes, stony quaternary alluviums on the terraces.

AGEING

The entire harvest is destemmed. Syrah is vinified in wooden truncated tanks that are punched down and pumped over. The Grenache is vinified in stainless steel tanks. The Syrah is partly aged in one year old oak barrels. Blending takes place after malolactic fermentation.

VARIETALS

Grenache, Syrah

SERVING

It is not necessary to decant this wine. Serve at 18C

TASTING

Colour: Dark with purple undertones

Nose: Intense notes of violet, black fruit and spices, black pepper and liquorice

Mouth: Round, full-bodied, huge finesse with elegant tannins, very fresh

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REVIEWS AND AWARDS



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"Barrel sample. The Perrins' newest winery is in Vinsobres. Broad, luscious, seductive nose. Very polished tannins. Really quite sumptuous without being sweet in any way. I can't see anyone being disappointed in this."

Jancis Robinson, 01/10/2013



90/100

"The 2012 Côtes du Rhône Villages Vinsobres (50/50 Grenache/Syrah) comes from the northern part of the Southern Rhône. It's a smoking effort that offers up plenty of black and blue fruits, violets, pepper and underbrush. Elegant, medium-bodied, with gorgeous purity and freshness, it will have 8-10 years of overall longevity."

Jeb Dunnuck, Wine Advocate, 31/10/2014



90/100

"Brilliant ruby. Energetic, mineral-laced aromas of fresh red and dark berries and cracked pepper, complicated by subtle licorice and garrigue qualities. At once concentrated and lively, showing very good lift and clarity to the black raspberry and bitter cherry flavors. The smoky, persistent finish is shaped by gentle tannins that meld with the juicy fruit."

Josh Reynolds, Vinous, 10/06/2016



90/100

"Focused, with a fleshy edge to the core of plum and currant compote flavors. Violet, anise and incense notes fill in on the finish. Just a touch tight, but this should fill out with brief cellaring. Drink now through 2017."

James Molesworth, Wine Spectator, 15/11/2015

