



# FAMILLE PERRIN

## *Les Crus*



### Famille Perrin Vacqueyras - Les Christins - 2013

*Produced on a very clayey terroir with stones from the Ouvèze river, the Grenache is dominant and develops a fleshy wine. It's typical aromas of chocolate, cherry and fig match beautifully with the Syrah (violet, spice, liquorice).*

#### PRESENTATION

Famille Perrin's Vacqueyras is a beautiful example of Grenache based wines from the Southern Rhône Valley, with an impressive aromatic expression, structured body and great ageing potential.

#### THE VINTAGE

The Perrin Family will remember the 2013 vintage as the vines around Chateau de Beaucastel required their permanent attention. The harvest was late and volumes were very small. Having said that, the harvest conditions, the analytical balance and the first tastings are reminiscent of wonderful vintages such as 1990, 1995 or 2001.

#### LOCATION

An 8 hectare vineyard farmed and run by the Beaucastel team. Located on the Commune of Sarrians, south of the Dentelles de Montmirail. Old vines (average age of 50 years).

#### TERROIR

Stony terraces on clay and sandy soils

#### AGEING

Handpicked harvest in 25 kg boxes. Crushing, long fermentation (1 month) in tanks of 50 hectolitres and in Foudres (50%). Blending after malolactic fermentation.

#### VARIETALS

Grenache, Syrah

#### SERVING

The ideal match for this wine is a leg of venison with Gentian, sautéed potatoes with onions and garlic.

#### TASTING

Colour: Nearly black with purple undertones

Nose: Spectacular, very complex, intense and deep with notes of Gentian, liquorice, Cyprus trees and pink pepper

Mout: Powerful and very structured with dense tannins

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## REVIEWS AND AWARDS



91/100

"Deep ruby,

Mineral-accented dark berries, licorice and pungent flowers on the highly perfumed nose.

Smooth and concentrated, offering ripe black raspberry and floral pastille flavors complicated by a dark chocolate quality that sneaks in on the back half. Sweet and focused on the clinging finish, which shows very good clarity and round, harmonious tannins."

**Josh Reynolds, Vinous, 14/04/2016**

**Wine Spectator**

89/100

"This shows mature hints of singed vanilla and cinnamon peeking out from the core of lightly mulled cherry and plum fruit. Spice hints linger on the gentle finish. Drink now through 2017."

**Wine Spectator, 15/11/2016**

91/100

"There is a lot to like about this Grenache/Syrah blend (80/20) that comes off eight hectares of old vines (50 years). The fermentation is split between wood and tanks for one month. The colour is deep, and the nose an impressive mix of black pepper and licorice. On the palate the wine lingers, spewing peppery, plummy, rich, black raspberry fruit to a spicy mineral finish, flecked with gamy, coriander notes. Fall venison, or barbecue beef are a fine match but it will improve through 2020 in bottle."

**Anthony Gismondi, The Vancouver Sun, 12/10/2016**

