



# FAMILLE PERRIN

## *Les Crus*



### Famille Perrin Vacqueyras "Les Christins"

*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

In 2010, all the right conditions were united to produce an exceptional vintage.

Heavy rainfall during spring, followed by a very hot summer and an Indian summer in September allowed for great harvest conditions.

This vintage produced very balanced wines with intense notes of fruit and great finesse.

#### 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

#### REVIEWS AND AWARDS

  
Jancis Robinson.com

16/20

"Dark crimson. Spicy, leathery nose. Big and bold and full of life. But pretty drying on the end. Minerally. Cool. As though some of the fruit had been sucked out."

Jancis Robinson, 01/12/2011

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90/100

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**International Wine Cellar, 02/01/2013**



91/100

"Ripe and fleshy, but pure and unadorned, with sleek plum, blackberry and red currant fruit stitched seamlessly together, guided by a long, warm stone-filled finish. Very fresh. Drink now through 2018."

**Wine Spectator, 08/08/2012**

92/100

"The family behind famed Château de Beaucastel delivers a winning Vacqueyras, the little-brother appellation to Châteauneuf. It's fullbodied, with gorgeously aromatic lavender and licorice floating above the rich berry fruit. Very elegant and worth a 10-year rest in the cellar, or try it now with roast leg of lamb."

**The Globe and Mail, 10/12/2012**

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**Josh Reynolds, 24/01/2013**



90/100

"The 2010 Vacqueyras les Christins, like most of these other 2010s, was just about ready to go into bottle. Dense garrigue, peppery kirsch, black raspberry and currant notes, with hints of loamy soil and underbrush were present in this big, full throttle wine, which is classic Vacqueyras. It should drink well for a decade."

**Robert Parker, Wine Advocate, 01/10/2012**

