



# FAMILLE PERRIN

## *Les Crus*



### Perrin Côtes du Rhône Villages Rouge 2009

*Originating from different terroirs in the Côtes du Rhône Villages, this wine is one of the most faithful illustrations of the Southern Rhône Valley*

#### PRESENTATION

This wine is produced by the Perrin family, using the same viticultural and wine-making techniques employed at Château de Beaucastel

#### THE VINTAGE

2009 is a great vintage of the Southern Rhône Valley. It's a combination of ripe fruit, a rich and harmonious mouth and a fleshy finale with elegant tannins.

#### LOCATION

Just 20% of the Côtes-du-Rhône vineyard is entitled to add the word 'Villages' after the words 'Côtes-du-Rhône'. These are the best vineyard sites.

#### TERROIR

Stony terraces over clay, limestone and gravel.

#### AGEING

The harvest is sorted and destemmed. Vinification then takes place in stainless steel and oak. Ageing in tanks and Foudre (25%) for a year.

#### VARIETALS

Grenache 60%, Syrah 20%, Cinsault 10%

#### SERVING

Serve at 18°C

#### TASTING

Colour: Dark ruby with purple reflections

Nose: Intense smell of macerated cherries and licorice

Mouth: Wine is full-bodied with a generous attack, a pleasant freshness and elegant tannins.

This well-balanced wine

is a typical expression of the southern Rhône with a thyme and rosemary aftertaste

#### REVIEWS AND AWARDS

16,5/20

"Dark berry fruit. Spicy. Fragrant in a dark way. Dense but fresh fruit, juicy middle. Firm and juicy finish. Just what you want from a CdR though this has more depth than most. Tannins and fruit in balance."

**Jancis Robinson, Fine Wine Writing & Wine reviews, 17/10/2010**

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89+ /100

"The 2009 Perrin et Fils Côtes du Rhône-Villages ratchets up the intensity level. A blend of 70% Grenache and 30% Syrah, it exhibits a deep ruby/purple hue, black cherry, black currant, lavender, pepper and Provencal herb characteristics, medium body, pure fruit, silky tannins and no hard edges. Enjoy it over the next 2-3 years. This is exactly what I am talking about when I say a product must over deliver."

**Robert Parker, Wine Advocate, 15/10/2010**

"50% Grenache, 50% Syrah. Black fruits – damsons, plums and black cherries on the nose. Impressively deep, rich and dense on the palate with layers of fruit, spice, and minerality on the palate. Amazing depth and complexity for a wine at this level. Superb."

**Aaron Rice, Averys Blog, 10/11/2011**

"Another syrah-grenache blend, this one red rather than rosé. The fruit here is dark and spicy: black cherries, black currants and black licorice, with gravelly tannins and a barely smoky finish. From the same producer of Châteauneuf-du-Pape's celebrated Chateau de Beaucastel, this is a serious red at a terrific price. You can also find this wine at Fred Meyer Hawthorne and Hollywood West; Food Front Cooperative Grocery Northwest and Hillsdale; Lamb's Garden Home and Wilsonville Thriftway Marketplaces; and Liner & Elsen; and through Galaxy Wine Co."

**Katherine Cole, Oregon Live, 07/11/2011**

## Wine Spectator

89/100

"Youthfully vibrant, with a delicious core of plum and raspberry fruit bursting forth, though there's length, buried minerality and racy acidity to keep it fresh and balanced for modest cellaring. Drink now through 2012."

**Wine Spectator, 31/05/2011**

"Imported by Vineyard Brands. This wine is a blend of 70% Syrah and 30% Grenache sourced from 15-25 year old vines, a good portion of which are declassified young vines from Vinsobres. There was a youthful and floral nose which was quite engaging. In the mouth there were tart red fruit flavors, a little lightness, grapiertannins, and lots of red fruit in the finish leaning towards a citrus aspect. This is a young but approachable wine to be drunk over the short-term."

**Aaron Nix-Gomez, Hogshead, 20/03/2012**

88/100

"Bright violet color. Red berries and white pepper on the fragrant nose. Juicy, focused raspberry and cherry flavors show good depth and pick up a floral element with air. Packs a punch without carrying any excess weight and finishes with gentle sweetness and good length."

**Josh Reynolds, 23/05/2012**

"Châteauneuf-du-Pape is the southern Rhône's most prized (and pricey) wine. But many estates also make good value wines, like 2009 Perrin & Fils Côtes du Rhône Villages, from Chateau de Beaucastel's owners."

**The Rhône Valley, 01/10/2011**

89/100

"A blend of 60% Grenache, 20% Syrah, and 10% Cinsault that's aged mostly in tank, the 2009 Côtes du Rhône Villages is a solid, borderline outstanding red that delivers a savory, base-note driven bouquet of black currants, black cherry, lavender, leafy herbs, and ground pepper. Medium bodied and very well put together on the palate, with a deep, chewy mid-palate, notable freshness, and a good tannic spine, this beauty is a fantastic value and should drink nicely for 5-7 years, possibly longer."

**Jeb Dunnuck, The Rhône Report**

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