



FAMILLE PERRIN

Les Crus

Famille Perrin Nature Côtes-du-Rhône Rouge - 2019



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 years in 9 regularly mark the memory of winegrowers and this vintage was no exception. After an early bud burst in early April, flowering was gradual and took place in good conditions in all the vineyards. Then a hot summer began in late June, which the vines bravely resisted: they suffered little from water stress, thanks to the chamomile herbal infusions we sprayed on the vegetation to cope with the heat. Finally, the harvest went as usual, without any particular precocity. The wines are promising; a vintage in 9 is born, once again, under a lucky star.

LOCATION

This wine comes from a vineyard located between Valréas and Vaison-la-Romaine, north of Orange. The vineyard is planted in Grenache and Syrah.

TERROIR

Chalky clay soils.

WINEMAKING

The harvest date is determined by checking the ripeness of the grapes with analysis and tasting the berries. As soon as they arrive at the winery, the grapes are sorted and destemmed. The fermentation takes place in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks between 150hl and 190hl. The extraction is done by pumping over and the frequency is determined by tasting. After racking and malolactic fermentation, the wines are transferred partly to oak barrels and partly to stainless steel vats where they will be aged for a year.

VARIETALS

Grenache, Syrah

SERVING

Serving temperature 15-16°C.

TASTING

Beautiful garnet-red colour with shiny reflections. The spicy nose is particularly seductive with notes of very ripe red fruit, mixed cherry and “Garrigue”. Elegant and well balanced, the mouth is full-bodied and greedy with aromas of red fruit and spices and a beautiful smoothness.



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REVIEWS AND AWARDS

91/100

"The "Nature" line of wines—both white and red, made from organic grapes—from the Perrin family have been remarkably impressive since their debut. The supply is (or was, anyway) relatively limited, so I haven't been able to work with them in my restaurant consulting capacity, but they offer phenomenal quality and value for retail buyers. This 2019 red bears no visual resemblance to a Côtes du Rhône, looking far more like a Gigondas from a top vintage like 2010, and that is high praise indeed. In terms of sheer density and depth of flavor, appearances do not deceive...this thing packs real punch, though just as impressively, it shows no roughness from overly aggressive maceration, and the grape tannins are very fine with no evident wood tannins at all. To be sure, this is all about primary fruit that is still undomesticated by time in bottle, but if you want a wine that offers big-time fruit and does so flawlessly, this is the ticket. It offers the concentration and flavor impact of Zinfandel or Malbec with the textural polish of New World Pinot, which makes me wonder...can I buy stock in this ?"

Wine Review Online, 04/01/2021

90/100

"Silky with bright, juicy raspberry and plum fruit; fresh, bright and tangy with round flavors; the perfect lunch wine, and it's organic."

Blue Lifestyle, 01/01/2021

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