



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

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

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



89-91/100

"From an eight-hectare plot, located near Sarrians, and a warmer terroir, the 2012 Famille Perrin Vacqueyras les Christins is a co-fermented blend of 80% Grenache and 20% Syrah. Harvested together, based off when the Grenache is fully ripe, the Syrah at this point is mostly overripe. This shows and the wine has an exotic quality, with hints of plum, purple fruit, licorice, pepper and violets all emerging from the glass. Medium to full-bodied, voluptuously texture and with good freshness, it's an interesting, character-filled wine to drink over the coming 7-8 years or so."

Jeb Dunnuck, Wine Advocate, 01/11/2013



"Barrel sample. Bright crimson with a pink rim. Heady, ripe, not the freshest of these cask samples on the nose. Unashamedly opulent. Very rich and herby. Reminiscent of cough medicine and with lots of briary tannins."

JR, Jancis Robinson



91/100

"The beautiful 2012 Vacqueyras (75% Grenache and 25% Syrah), which comes from 16 hectares located on plateau behind the village, is a rounded, sexy effort that has beautiful bouquet garni, pepper, licorice and dried-soil aromas to go with ample sweet black raspberry fruit. Forward, full-bodied, and textured, it's a pleasure-bent effort to drink over the coming 5-8 years."

Jeb Dunnuck, Wine Advocate, 31/10/2014



92/100

"Bright ruby. Ripe red and dark berries and cherry pit on the perfumed nose. Tightly focused black raspberry and bitter cherry flavors flesh out quickly, showing excellent depth. A late blast of peppery spices adds lift and cut to the long, penetrating, gently tannic finish. Brighter in character than its 2013 sibling, offering plenty of upfront, fruit-driven appeal."

Josh Reynolds, Vinous, 15/05/2015

