

# FAMILLE PERRIN



## Méridion, AOC Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Rouge, 2020

*The other Châteauneuf of the family! For the most part Les Sinards is made from the young vines at Beaucastel and a neighboring vineyard we farm. Mostly Grenache, this is a classic Châteauneuf du Pape.*

### PRESENTATION

Les Sinards is generally made from the young vines from Beaucastel as well as farmed vines located near Beaucastel.

### THE VINTAGE

The 2020 vintage in Southern Rhône was favoured by very good weather conditions, it is a generous vintage, both in terms of quality and quantity. Not as hot as in 2019, this year was very windy, throughout the growing cycle, with light rainfalls. After a fairly mild winter (one single episode of frost was noted during the night of March 24, but only the early ripening plots were very slightly affected). The spring was radiant, quite warm and very windy, which allowed the soils to preserve their freshness. Flowering began on May 18, under very healthy conditions. The good weather continued in June, July and August, with plenty heat but lower temperatures than in 2019, cool and humid nights and wind which continued to blow, preserving the freshness of the vines and maintaining perfect sanitary conditions for the grapes. The harvest, which was fairly early, therefore began under these very good conditions on August 26 with the white Côtes-du-Rhône and continued until the end of September with the Mourvèdre. September was warm at the beginning of the month and then more temperate, offering idyllic harvest conditions and allowed each plot to be harvested at perfect maturity. The harvest was very healthy with beautiful juicy and very ripe grapes, reasonable alcohol levels, good acidity and already a great balance. Yields are slightly higher than 2019 and the first tastings predict a very nice vintage.

### LOCATION

Wine made from the young vines from Beaucastel and farmed vines.

### TERROIR

Molasse seabed of the Miocene period covered by diluvial alpine deposits (pebbles). A plot that lies on Urgonien limestone.

### AGEING

As of August, we carry out maturity checks and berry tastings to determine the optimal date for harvest. Each grape variety is harvested separately. When they arrive at the winery, the grapes are sorted. Part of the Syrah is vinified in whole bunches, the other part as well as the Grenache are destemmed. The Châteauneuf-du-Pape wines are vinified using the same process as the wines of Château de Beaucastel. After vinification, the wines are tasted to define the blend. Finally, they are aged in oak foudres for 2 years.

### VARIETALS

Grenache, Mourvèdre, Syrah

### SERVING

15°C in big glasses. Drink with game, truffles and mushrooms.

### TASTING

Beautiful, limpid colour of shiny ruby-red. The nose is revealed with finesse with an aromatic bouquet of fruit, full of freshness. On the palate, this wine is soft, elegant, with good acidity and seductive tangy notes of red fruit such as red currant. A wine of great finesse.

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