



Châteauneuf-du-Pape Vieilles Vignes

Country: France Region: Rhone
Type: Red Varietal: Grenache
Format: 6 x 750ml

BC	AB	SK	MB
+263531	+486423		
Specialty			

TASTING NOTES

Colour: Limpid ruby-red.

Aroma: Toasted spices on the nose with aromas of very ripe dark berry fruits.

Taste: Concentrated, powerful and explosive on the palate with flavours of red plum, cassis, black tea and raspberry liqueur.

Food: This wine would be ideal with beef bourguignon, duck confit or something spiced like garlic sausage.

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

2022 ~ 97-99 Points. "The 2022 Châteauneuf Du Pape Vieilles Vignes comes from the oldest Grenache vines of the estate and was raised in demi-muids and new and used barrels. Flat-out awesome notes of blackberries, mulled cherries, roasted herbs, and Provencal spices, as well as some meaty nuances, define the aromatics, and it's full-bodied, has a deep, layered, opulent mouthfeel, fine tannins, and sensational length on the finish. This Grenache lover's dream of a wine will evolve for 15-20 years." - Jeb Dunnuck, Oct/2023

2022 ~ 97 Points. "Coming from 100% destemmed Grenache and the sandy soils of the Cristia lieu-dit, the 2022 Châteauneuf Du Pape Vieilles Vignes is the clear winner in the lineup and a gorgeous wine that readers will love. Awesome notes of roasted garrigue, licorice, Provençal spice, and assorted red and black fruits all define the aromatics, and it's a deep, layered, full-bodied beauty revealing velvety tannins and a blockbuster finish. As with most 2022s, it's already drinking brilliantly yet should evolve gracefully over the coming decade. There are 500 cases produced." - Jeb Dunnuck, Oct/2024

2022 ~ 95 Points. "This is ripe for sure, but not overripe, and the oak is sensitively applied, giving some shape and focus to the wine. The alcohol is gently warming but not excessive in the realms of pure Châteauneuf Grenache, and it has remarkable length of fruit. A hedonistic treat. Aged in demi-muids and barriques, one third new oak, for 18 months. Drinking window: 2024-2032." - Decanter, Sep/2023

2022 ~ 94 Points. "Coming in at eye level with the Renaissance from the same vintage, the 2022 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Vieilles Vignes is gorgeous. White pepper, strawberry jam, cedar, licorice, crushed violets and menthol are all front and center. Framed by ripe and seamlessly sculpted tannins as well as bright acidity, the ambitious 2022 impresses with great persistence on the complex finish. It spent 18 months in equal proportions of demi-muids and both old and new oak barriques." - Antonio Galloni's Vinous, Jun/2024

2022 ~ 93+ Points. "Crafted from old vines of Grenache Noir planted on sandy soils (Cristia's south and north lieux-dits), the 2022 Châteauneuf du Pape Vieilles Vignes from Domaine de Cristia exhales a more solar bouquet in comparison with the other cuvées, opening in the glass with notes of dark olive, tapenade, dry thyme, chocolate and baked dark berries. Sweet and medium to full-bodied with a broad attack, it's layered and textured with an enrobing structure and polished tannins. The sweetest of the lineup, it finishes long and perfumed with delicate notes of lavender and licorice. Matured for 18 months in large barrels (33%), new barrels (34%) and the rest in used barrels, this is a great success at this address." - Yohan Castaing - Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, Sept/2024

2022 ~ 93 Points. "A dense, generous and fruity red from old vines. It shows notes of dark cherries, baked plums, sweet spices and some grilled meat. It's full-bodied with fine, firm tannins. Structured yet elegant, with a delicious and succulent core of cherries and blood oranges on the palate. Lively and concise, with a focused and flavorful finish. From organically grown grapes. Try after 2025." - James Suckling, Jun/2024

2022 ~ 92-94 Points. "Marked by scents of strawberries, pie cherries and hints of truffle and garrigue, the full-bodied 2022 Châteauneuf du Pape Vieilles Vignes looked impressive as a blend mocked up from a selection of barrels. Full-bodied, supple and silky-textured, with a long, licorice-tinged finish, it should drink well for at least 15 years." - Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, Sep/2023

OTHER INFO

The Domaine de Cristia Châteauneuf-du-Pape Vieilles Vignes is made from 100% Grenache on Clayey sand from the locality known as "Cristia". The vines have an average age of 95 years and sit at an altitude of 125m. The élevage for this wine is treated for 18 months. 1/3 in new demi-muids, 1/3 in new barrels, 1/3 in neutral demi-muids.



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