



# DOMAINE LA BARROCHE

## CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

*The winery, passed from generation to generation since the 14th century, extends over 37 acres of sand and large pebbles, nearly half of which is planted with one-hundred-year-old Grenache.*

*"We put our heart and soul into winemaking and are deeply-rooted in Châteauneuf du Pape. We are proud of our heritage, down-to-earth, and hard working, and aim to offer you the best possible wine, while continually striving for excellence."*

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This signature blend offers a singular wine personality, a delicate alchemy of spices and well-ripened black fruits, a delight for the senses.

"This cuvée is the one which captures the most the essence of the estate and my winegrower philosophy. My approach to wine has taken me on a quest to reveal the best of the terroir. We have made this wine with the greatest of care, taking into account the effects of both the earth and sky on the grapes and wine. While in the vineyard, we use only organic fertilizers, harvest the fruit by hand, and meticulously select our grapes. Once in the cellar, we practice gentle extraction and long, careful ageing."

*Julien Savot*

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### B L E N D

#### 62% Grenache

from a plot at the junction of "Palestor" and "Bois Dauphin" districts and one at the junction of "Grand Pierre", "Rayas" and "Pointu" districts as well as "Cabrières", "Boursan" and "Pied Long" blocks.

#### 18% Mourvèdre

from "Les Mascaronnes" and "Boursan" plots.

#### 13% Syrah

from "Le Parc" and "Cabrières" plots.

#### 5% Cinsault

from "Pierre à feu" plots.

#### 1% Vaccarese

#### 1% Others

Representative soils of Châteauneuf-du-Pape (yellow and red sand, red clay, large pebbles) with a high proportion of sand. Average age of the vines : more than 70 years old.



### V I T I C U L T U R E

Rigorous bud pruning. Furthermore, green harvesting and leaf thinning are done.

The picking is entirely by hand, with sorting in the vineyard and again in the cellar.

### W I N E - M A K I N G A N D A G I N G

Wine-making in underground concrete vats.

Destemming of underripe stalks.

The wine stays on the skins for over 4 weeks.

Gentle extractions.

Aging in old oak casks and 600 liter barrels for approximately 18 months.

The wine is not filtered before bottling.

### T A S T I N G

*"It offers a tight, grippy, medium to full-bodied and beautifully structured style, as well as classic notes of black raspberries, black cherries, crushed flowers and hints of crushed rock. I love its tension, purity and focus, and it has terrific length on the finish as well."*

**Jeb Dunnuck for Robert Parker – October 2015**

*"vibrant, pure and dark-fruited, full of vibrancy, energy and fine tannin. It's medium-bodied, with a real sense of authenticity and purity, and a savoury edge. They manage to walk a fine line between a modern and traditional style, to great effect."*

**Matt Walls for Tim Atkins – Novembre 2016**

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