

## Chateauneuf du-Pape 'Vieilles Vignes', Maison Tardieu-Laurent Rhône Valley, France



<b>Product code</b>	TI24ZZRC
Grapes	Grenache,
	Mourvèdre, Syrah
Country	FRANCE
ABV%	13.5
Case Size	6
Closure Style	Cork
Producer	Maison Tardieu-
	Laurent
Vintage	2021





Maison

TARDIEU - LAURENT

FAMILLE TARDIEU

## Producer

Tardieu-Laurent is an almost unique operation in the Rhône Valley, a model that is much more commonly found in Burgundy and one that is a growing trend in Champagne. Somehow the French term for what they do fits more neatly, 'micro-négociant éléveur haute couture.' In English, it roughly translates to 'a specialist in the maturation of outstanding wines, from top sites, in very limited quantities.' Michel took over full ownership in 2004, a moment that coincided with the arrival of his son Bastien, a newly qualified oenologist. The company name remained unchanged as did the modus operandi but from that point and continuing through to today, the focus shifted, with an emphasis on elegance and freshness. They still age the wines in small oak barrels but only for the first year and have greatly lessened the percentage of new oak, eliminating it entirely for their reds from the South.

## **Tasting Notes**

The notion of Vintage becomes second... The Great Terroirs dominate... Definitely shaped and structured to be a long keeping Wine!

## Winemaking

Aging 12 months in one vintage old barrels. Allier and Troncais. Then 12 months in foudre. 1/2 non destemmed.