

Châteauneuf du Pape 'Vieilles Vignes', Maison Tardieu-Laurent

Rhône Valley, France



Product code	TI28ZZRC
Grapes	Grenache, Mourvèdre, Syrah
Country	FRANCE
ABV%	14.5
Case Size	6
Closure Style	Cork
Producer	Maison Tardieu- Laurent
Vintage	2021



Vegan



Vegetarian

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 élèveur 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

"Tiny yields, Homeopathic Quantities, the fruit of this assemblage is remarkable : a Very noble expression of the terroir, detached from any fashion aspect. The exceptional grenaches on Galets Roulés illuminate this assemblage... "