

L'OISEAU DU PARADIS

COTEAUX D'AIX-EN-PROVENCE 2021



ORIGIN

Provence, France

APPELLATION

AOC Coteaux d'Aix-en-Provence

VINEYARD

+/- 30-year-old vines planted in a clay-limestone soil
Yield: 45hL/ha

BLEND

40% Syrah, 30% Grenache, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon

FARMING

Vines are harvested at night when it is much cooler and are then pressed immediately

WINEMAKING

Each grape varietal is fermented separately and blended at the end of November then bottled in January

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

12.5% Alc. |

The 2021 L'Oiseau du Paradis is lively and complex. In the nose, we first find a mix of melon, rose petals, spices and minerals. They echo throughout the palate before taking us to a fresh and persistent finish. Between minerality and salinity, the finish is a never-ending invitation to come back.

Provence's 2021 vintage has been ordained a 'winegrower's vintage'. It was challenging, unforgiving, and humbling. Between the combinations of wildfires, labor concerns, and pandemic restrictions, this year was not for the shy of heart. But in the end it was time of celebration, of a battle well won.

Nestled in the heart of Provence, Château Paradis lives up to its name as a hidden paradise of lyrical landscapes and seductive wines. The estate of Château Paradis totals 160 hectares of which 80 hectares are dedicated to vineyards. Within this 80-hectares is an exceptional parcel of +/- 30-year old vines. Because of their age, these vines are able to reach down deep into a rich clay-limestone terroir some 650 feet above sea level.

Located on the north face of the Trevaresse Mountain in front of the Durance River, the vines benefit from the Mistral winds coming from the Rhône valley and a cool climate that follows the river. Syrah, Grenache and Cabernet Sauvignon vines thrive in the warm Mediterranean climate and produce a perfectly crafted rosé wine. Clay imparts power and aromatics to the wine, while the chalky limestone rounds it out, bringing fruit notes and a nice minerality.

ACCOLADES

2021 International Wine Report – 91 Points

"Composed of Syrah, Grenache and Carignan, the 2021 offers a lovely bouquet of melon, rose petals, spices and minerals which all come together beautifully. On the palate this delivers wonderful freshness, along with a lovely mineral character that persists through the finish." -I.W.R.

