

CAMILLE CAYRAN

« Le Chêne Noire » 2019 AOC CÔTES DU RHÔNE VILLAGES



ORIGIN

Rhône Valley, France

APPELLATION

AOC Côtes du Rhône Villages

VINEYARD

Vines are planted on gentle slopes of stony, chalky-clay soil, with excellent sun exposure

BLEND

50% Grenache
30% Syrah
20% Carignan

FARMING

Grapes are hand harvested at the latest date possible

WINEMAKING

70% of grapes are destemmed and undergo traditional vinification
Maceration lasts +/- 5-7 days

AGING

Aged +/- 3 years in the cellar

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

14.5% Alc. |

Camille Cayran's 2019 'Le Chêne Noire' AOC Côtes du Rhône Villages is a wonderful blend of Grenache, Syrah, and Carignan. The sun-drenched rocky soils, allows each varietal to develop a concentration of flavors. This, in turn, results in a wine with a lovely youthful expression. The Grenache brings supple fruit sophistication that is counter balanced by the Syrah's rich and powerful abilities. Finally, the Carignan explodes with notes of black pepper and rich cherry, bringing warmth to the wine. You can expect a bright fruit, soft mouthfeel, and a brush of herbs at the finish.

2019's Rhône Valley season was wonderfully strong. The winter was calm and carried into a dry spring which allowed for an early budbreak. Even with the challenges of a cold cell during April and May and heat of June and July, the grapes were able to flourish as the cooler nights helped to retain the crucial qualities of acidity and aromatic character.

The vineyard consists mainly of old vineyards planted in and around Cairanne where the sun exposure is exquisite. The gentle slopes of the hillside plots supply the vines, half of which are over 40-years old, with excellent natural drainage. Denis Crespo, chief winemaker for Cave de Cairanne, carefully supervises the vines all year round. The grapes are hand-harvested as late as possible to maximize ripeness. The vines are carefully supervised all year round and the grapes are hand-harvested as late as possible to maximize ripeness. The varietals are fermented separately and maceration lasts +/- 5-7 days to preserve the tannins' finesse.

In 1929, three passionate winemakers, one of which was Monsieur Camille Cayran, used the philosophy 'quality over quantity' to create the Côtes du Rhône Villages – Cairanne appellation. Almost 40 years later, this appellation was made official. Since then, CAVE DE CAIRENNE has continuously built its reputation and recognition through its exceptional winemaking and pioneering philosophy.

ACCOLADES

2019 International Wine Report – 92 points

"The [2019] 'Le Chêne Noir' Côtes du Rhône Villages begins with inviting aromatics of cherries and black raspberries along with spices, violets and minerals all soaring from the glass. On the palate this is shows is well balanced and possesses a gorgeous sleek texture, which continues through the finish. Showing well now and should hold up nicely for some short-term cellaring." -I.W.R.

