

DOMAINE THUNEVIN-CALVET

Blanc « L'Amourette » 2014

CÔTES CATALANES



ORIGIN

Languedoc, France

APPELLATION

AOC Côtes Catalanes

VINEYARD

80-100-year-old vines planted in 99 acres of black schist clay soils

BLEND

100% Grenache Gris

FARMING

Hand harvested, sorted twice

WINEMAKING

Aged for 7-months in barrels and stainless-steel tanks

“L'Amourette” comes from 100% Grenache Gris vines planted in the hilly black schist soils of eastern Maury, in the Roussillon region of southern France. In this hot, dry Mediterranean climate, their roots dig deep into the clay soils with schist bedrock. Here, at the foothills of the Pyrénées mountains, yields are kept very low and the vineyard is managed under biodynamic principles. The clay allows the Grenache Gris to conserve its stone fruit and herbal aromas, while the schist contributes a most refreshing minerality.

Seduced by the quality of terroirs in Roussillon, Thunevin teamed up with a local vigneron and true man of the soil, Jean-Roger Calvet, and in 2000 bought a few hectares of vines located on Maury's magnificent terroirs of black schist. As he says, “Why invest the other side of the world when there are wonderful old vines, inexpensive land and awesome countryside on the doorstep?”

“I took one look at all of these ancient vines, this dry climate, and these remarkable soils. I tasted what others were doing. My search was over: no other region I know of on earth could offer remotely this kind of opportunity to make great wine.” The Wine Advocate, on the region

ACCOLADES

2014 **This vintage has not yet been rated.**

