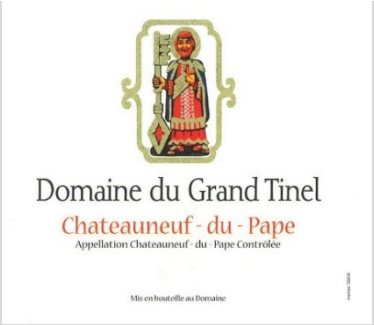
DOMAINE DU GRAND TINEL « Tradition » 2021 CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

Single Estate – GPS:44°03’18.16’’N; 4°50’09.37’’E



Domaine du Grand Tinel’s 2021 Châteauneuf-du-Pape ‘Tradition’ is rich and intense. The ripe wild berry and black fruits on the nose are followed by ample smooth tannins and a refreshing acidity on the palate. A classic Châteauneuf du Pape. Enjoy with all types of meats either roasted or braised.

2021 the Rhone is faced difficult conditions and when least expected, what emerges from the glass a wine of quite exceptional quality. The 2021 reds are drawing attention from sommeliers and classic wine aficionados that haven’t felt a tug from the Rhône in quite a few years.

Grand Tinel’s « Tradition » comes from two neighboring sectors in this most famous Cru du Rhône (La Gardiole and Palestor) and is produced with the help of consultant Philippe Cambie (named 2010 winemaker of the year by Robert Parker). It is a primarily Grenache blend from 70 year-old vines with roots deep in clay-limestone soils covered with the famous galets roulés stones.

These two sectors are located in the northern part of the appellation, where iron-rich soils contribute to a harmonious elegance and fresh mineral definition and the powerful structure of classic Châteauneuf-du-Pape comes through (a function of the heat retained and reflected by the galets roulés). Grenache, the main composition, delivers a wine with rich fruit presence, on the one hand silky, fine and elegant yet at the same time concentrated and powerful. Syrah brings an aromatic complexity to the table, with density and good tannins, while Mourvèdre is a more rustic variety, supplying more concentration, larger tannins, power and layered structure.

The owners, Jeune family, is a longstanding & well-known dynasty of Châteauneuf-du-Pape who can trace their ancestors back to the 14th century. The marriage of Christiane Establet with Pierre Elie Jeune in the 1960s united the properties of these two venerable families, establishing Domaine du Grand Tinel, one of the largest estates in the appellation. The inspiration for the name Tinel comes from the Latin for “cask”. Today, Christophe Jeune and his two sisters, Beatrice and Isabelle, carry on the tradition of producing traditional-style Châteauneuf in a family-run affair.

ORIGIN
Rhône Valley

APPELLATION
Châteauneuf-du-Pape

SINGLE ESTATE
138 acres of +/- 70-year-old vines throughout region. Soils are sandy-clay with *galets roulés*. Certified organic – European standards

BLEND
65% Grenache
30% Syrah
5% Mourvèdre
Approx. 70-years old

FARMING
Hand-harvested and sorted in vineyards.

WINEMAKING
Varietals are vinified separately. Temperature-controlled tanks. Daily pump-overs.

AGING
Syrah is aged 12-18 months in tanks.
Grenache is aged 50% in tank and 50% in demi-muid and barrels. Blending done before bottling

ALCOHOL CONTENT
15% Alc. |

ACCOLADES
2021 Jeb Dunnuck – 90-92 Points
“The classic 2021 Châteauneuf Du Pape is also terrific and well worth seeking out. Blackberries, hints of currants, peppery herbs, licorice, and crushed stone all define the bouquet, and it's medium to full-bodied, with good mid-palate depth, some firmer tannins, and a great finish. There's good depth of fruit here as well as concentration, and it should round into form with just short-term cellaring.”
2021 James Suckling – 92 Points
2021 Vinous – 91 Points
2020 Jeb Dunnuck – 90-92 Points
2019 Jancis Robinson – 16.5 Points