

DOMAINE DU GRAND TINEL « Alexis Establet » 2019

CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

Single Vineyard - GPS 44.091373, 4.841173



Domaine du Grand Tinel 2019 'Alexis Establet' Châteauneuf-du-Pape coats the glass in a deep purple. The nose explodes with sweet tobacco and dark powerful fruit and a hint of liquorice. The palate experiences a voluptuous and rounded mouth feel full of acidic freshness and power that carries this cuvée to the end. Enjoy from 2022 on.

Alexis Establet is a majestic Châteauneuf-du-Pape from 100% Grenache grapes, produced only in exceptional vintages with the help of star consultant Philippe Cambie (named 2010 winemaker of the year by Robert Parker). The 100+ year old vines are planted at the northernmost point of the appellation, in an area known as "La Gardiole," in soils formed from chalky stones and old alluvial deposits, along with the *galets roulés* stones the appellation is famous for. This terroir is reflected in the wine as a combination of the known power of Châteauneuf-du-Pape (a function of the heat retained and reflected by the *galets roulés*) and a harmonious elegance and fresh mineral definition characteristic of the northern sector.

Yields are kept incredibly low (15-20 hl/ha). After the harvest, the grapes are carefully sorted, with only top-quality ones passing inspection.

The 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 1960's 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.

ACCOLADES

2019 Jancis Robinson – 17+ Points

"Cask sample. Tasted blind. Lovely nose that shows sweet tobacco and dark powerful fruit with a liquorice note. Voluptuous and rounded mouthfeel, really fresh as well as powerful. Vibrant acidity carries this through. Cool and effortless." –J.R.

ORIGIN

Southern Rhône, France

APPELLATION

AOC Châteauneuf-du-Pape

VINEYARD

100+ year old vines Clay-limestone with *galets roulés* pebbles.

BLEND

100% Grenache

FARMING

Yields are kept incredibly low (15-20 hl/ha)

WINEMAKING

Hand-harvested grapes, destemmed, sorted in the vineyard and again at the winery with a sorting table
Temperature controlled
A portion is vinified in huge oak vats, the rest in stainless steel

AGING

18 months in barrels and demi-muids to soften tannins and gain roundness

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

16.1% Alc. |

