



DOMAINE DE SAINT PAUL

« L'Insolite » 2017

Single Vineyard

CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

Domaine de Saint Paul's 2017 Châteauneuf-du-Pape 'L'Insolite' is simply a force to be reckoned with. This entirely Syrah cuvée is packed with the classic notes of blackcurrants, blackberries, and ground pepper famously found within the varietal. The palate enjoys a gorgeously rich, medium to full-bodied, concentrated, finely tuned experience that is unlike any other. Truly a work of not only mastery, but art as well.

2017's Southern Rhône Vintage is full of structured and age worthy wines. The summer was a bit warmer than usual meaning that the fruits ripened quickly whilst remaining healthy. Due to this, the region produced wines full of natural freshness.

Domaine de Saint-Paul's 14.5 hectares, 36 acres exist in the beautiful advantage of the balance between the sun, Mistral wind, and famous rounded pebbles (galets roulés) in silica and clay soils. Each of these elements contribute to the production of delicate and rich wines. The vineyard is made up of several parcels: Pied Redon, La Combe, Palestor, Les Relagnes, Le Boucou and Les Coulets. Each of these contribute their own distinct flavor to the final wine.

Between Orange and Avignon, on the left bank of the Rhône, construction of the St. Paul Estate began in 1934 along an olive, pine, and almond tree-lined road. Bought by Charles Establet in 1958, it was enlarged in the 1970s by his daughter Christiane and son-in-law Pierre Elie Jeune. In the 1990s a vinification cellar and bottling system were added, and the first bottle bearing the name of the St. Paul Estate was issued. Philippe Cambie, named 2010 Winemaker of the Year by Robert Parker, is the consultant winemaker to Domaine de Saint Paul. Christophe Jeune with his sisters Isabelle and Beatrice are now the proprietors of their family's history in the region, which dates back to the 14th century.

ACCOLADES FOR 2017

2017 Wine Advocate – 96 Points

2017 Wine Enthusiast – 95 Points

2017 Jeb Dunnuck – 92 Points

"In a vintage that favored Syrah, the all-Syrah 2017 Chateauneuf du Pape l'Insolite excels. Aged in demi-muids, it doesn't come across as oaky, instead delivering waves of black cherries and raspberries, plus hints of stone fruit and almond paste. Full-bodied and plush, it's creamy across the mid-palate, turning velvety on the long, extroverted finish." -W.A

ORIGIN

Rhône Valley, France

APPELLATION

Châteauneuf-du-Pape

VINEYARD

43-year-old vines planted in clay-limestone soils with *galets roulés*; Southern exposure

BLEND

100% Syrah

FARMING

Certified organic farming (European standards)
Harvested by hand.
Sorting done in vineyard

WINEMAKING

Complete destemming
Temperature-controlled stainless steel vats. Daily pump-overs. Vatting is 26-days long

AGING

After malolactic fermentation wine is transferred to demi-muids for 12 months then bottled.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

15.5% Alc. |

