



## Duclaux White 2023

AOC Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Vallée du Rhône, France

A powerful and captivating White Châteauneuf-du-Pape, vinified in barrels.



### PRESENTATION

The Domaine Duclaux, as a historic domaine of the appellation, produces wines in the tradition of traditional Châteauneuf-du-Pape : powerful, elegant and structured.

In order to maximize the potential of our terroirs for our white cuvée, we choose to proceed with winemaking in wood. This method, relatively atypical in our region, makes our Duclaux White a wine quite different from its counterparts.

### TERROIR

Soils mainly made up of river sand and rolled pebbles. Terroirs containing alluvial soils, sand and stones in the lower vineyards and clay-limestone soil on the slopes.

### WINEMAKING

Total pressing of the harvest, static settling at 12°C, vinification on fine lees in Burgundy barrels with stirring for 8 to 10 months.

Fermentation and aging are in barrels. The juice therefore spends its entire life in wood, from the end of pressing (the day of harvest) until the moment of final assembly and bottling.

### VARIETAL

Grenache blanc

14 % VOL.

### SERVING

This elegant white can easily be tasted at room temperature (correct), at 12-18°C. If you consume it in its youth, you can slightly refresh it, at 8-10°C. It may be good to decant it.

### AGEING POTENTIAL

5 years, 5 to 10 years, 10 to 15 years, Over 15 years

### TASTING

In its youth : pale yellow and brilliant. Concentrated tropical fruit bouquet with hints of oak. Great aromatic fullness and liveliness on the palate, well balanced with an excellent persistence. This wine has very good aging potential. Its organoleptic qualities will therefore evolve towards these old white Châteauneuf-du-Pape through various taste palettes depending on its age. First, hazelnut, almond, then more roasted or even roasted... then in his old age, it will reach petroleum notes. Old white Châteauneuf-du-Pape lovers : this wine is made for you.

### FOOD PAIRINGS

Aperitif, cheeses (goat cheese and roquefort), poultry with mushrooms.



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REVIEWS AND AWARDS

JAMESUCKLING.COM

91/100

"A rich, textured and dense white showing aromas of dried lemons, baked peaches, anise and some warm herbs. Medium-bodied with moderate acidity. Oily texture on the edges, with a dense, aromatic center palate. Flavorful finish of excellent length. Drink or hold."

**James Suckling, James Suckling**

90/100

"Vivid pale yellow. A melange of tropicals on the nose with subtle vanilla oak hints. Rich, energetic palate showing impressive length. 100% Grenache Blanc from mixed terroirs of river sand, rolled pebbles, and clay-limestone slopes. Total pressing followed by cold settling at 12°C. Complete barrel fermentation and aging on fine lees with bâtonnage for 8-10 months in Burgundian barrels. Excellent aging potential - expect development through nutty complexity to tertiary petroleum notes. 14%. Drink now-2033. If I were keeping score: 4□, 90/100, B"

**Christopher Howard, The somm journal**



Silver

"Fruits jaunes, fruits exotiques, Fruits secs et épices. Complexité et équilibre."

**Mundus Vini Silver 2025**



16/20

"Tasted blind. Straw, lanolin and white peach on the nose. The palate is dense and has a lick of cedary oak and mid-weight fruit concentration, some oak still comes through on the rich finish. (AC)"

**Jancis Robinson, 17/10/2024**

JEB DUNNUCK

92/100

"Honeyed stone fruits, orange blossom, and some subtle spicy notes all emerge from the 2023 Châteauneuf Du Pape Domaine Duclaux Blanc, a classy, medium-bodied, balanced, impeccably made white based on 100% Grenache Blanc. It should keep for 2-4 years with ease."

**Jeb Dunnuck, 29/10/2024**



Silver

**International Wine and Spirit Competition 2025 Silver**

93/100

"The 2023 Duclaux Châteauneuf du Pape Blanc is a vibrant and complex wine that beautifully captures the essence of southern Rhône. With notes of citrus fruit, white flowers and subtle honeyed notes, it evolves on the palate with crisp apple, lemon curd, and a delicate herbal touch. The wine has a round yet fresh mouthfeel, with bright acidity and a minerally backbone that reflects its rocky terroir. The finish is long and elegant, marked by lingering citrus and a touch of saltiness."

**International Wine Report, International Wine Report, 01/01/2025**

