







# Domaine du Vieux Lazaret, Châteauneuf-du-Pape, **Rouge**, 2023

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

#### **PRESENTATION**

Our Domaine du Vieux Lazaret is one of the main estates of the Appellation and one of the oldest, dating from 1748. The domaine covers around 100 ha, spread over the 3 typical terroirs. All 13 grape varieties are cultivated on our lands.

At the beginning of the 19th century, the Quiot family bought an old Lazaret (a hospice run by religious Lazarists who played a very important part at the time of the 1720 plague, when a third of the village population died) and built up a proper domaine by linking up plots of land owned on the commune. The « Domaine du Vieux Lazaret », built up over three centuries, by marriage, purchase and distribution, has this name since 1915.

### LOCATION

Our plots are spread all around the village, which allows us to benefit of the advantages the Appellation area can offer in terms of climatological varieties, terroirs and exposure. All 13 traditional allowed grape varieties are cultivated on our lands. This allows us balanced wines, all in finesse.

3 major soil types: soils with rolled pebbles, stony terraces with sand and gravel sub-soils and clay soils formed from the limestone mother rock.

Our work as a winegrower, but above all as a farmer, requires us to ally ourselves with nature and to adapt to it. Depending on the year, this can be more or less difficult regarding the weather conditions. However, we must, through our cultivation practices, allow the plant to give us the optimum over time and to preserve our terroirs.

# WINEMAKING

Traditional vinification. Total de-stemming, pumping over twice a day. Vatting time: 2 to 3 weeks in concrete vats. Matured for 18 months in vats and barrels (15%).

15 % VOL.

# VARIETALS

Cinsault, Counoise, Grenache noir, Mourvèdre, Muscardin, Syrah, Terret noir, Vaccarèse

# AGEING POTENTIAL

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



### **TASTING**

In his youth, this wine displays a deep carmine color, with aromas of ripe black fruits evolving into spicy notes. Its smoothness, persistence, and aromatic breadth are its defining features. With age, it transforms, revealing aromas of spiced ripe fruits that develop into compote-like nuances, reminiscent of prunes, licorice, and hints of black pepper. This wine has excellent aging potential.

### **FOOD PAIRINGS**

Traditional pairings include red meats, sauced dishes, meat terrines, and cheeses. However, feel free to get creative by pairing it with bolder dishes, such as a lamb tagine or a pan-fried forest mushroom medley, which will elevate its aromas.

## **REVIEWS AND AWARDS**

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90/100

"A textured, generous and dense red with sweet cherries, red berries and sweet spices on the nose. Full-bodied with plush tannins. Rich core of berries and cherries with a similar finish. Drink now."

**James Suckling, James Suckling** 



92/100

"A deep nose of blackberry, strawberry, cassis, and abundant rose aromas greets the senses, highlighting pronounced red fruit intensity. With a bit of aeration, the midpalate reveals lively spices and white pepper that awaken flavors of white strawberries and juicy red licorice. Delicious and approachable in its youth, this wine benefits from a good decant."

**Anna-Christina Cabrales, Wine Enthusiast** 

