

DOMAINE DUCLAUX

Duclaux Red 2022

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

Powerful - Spicy - Suave

PRESENTATION

The Duclaux Family is one of the oldest in Châteauneuf-du-Pape. This family built up its domaine through the centuries and was one of the first founder members of the Appellation association in 1904. The Quiot and Duclaux families built up bonds and family connections over the years. The Domaine Duclaux, as a historic domain of the appellation, produces wines in the tradition of the traditional Châteauneuf-du-Pape: powerful, elegant and structured. In order to maximize the potential of our terroirs for our red Duclaux, we have chosen to age it in wood. What is typical of this wine is its high grape variety in Mourvèdre which gives it its spicy side.

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

The grapes are partially de-stemmed and the varieties are pre-blended in concrete vats. Vatting time : 3 to 4 weeks. Vat-matured for around 24 months, part of which is spent in oak barrels.

VARIETALS

Cinsault, Counoise, Grenache noir, Mourvèdre, Syrah

15 % VOL.

SERVING

Serve at 16-18°C, in large glasses.

AGEING POTENTIAL

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

TASTING

Deep garnet red colour. A very fruity nose with concentrated red berries, leather and liquorice. Marked by spices. Great complexity and strength on the palate. Excellent persistence. Wine with good aging potential. On old vintages, our red Duclaux evolves, becomes stewed and the spices soften.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Red meats, game, stews, spicy dishes and cheeses. Good conservation potential.

REVIEWS AND AWARDS

International Wine Challenge 2023 Argent





17/20

"Ripe, ripe red fruit with an underlying strawberry-jam sweetness and concentration. Vanilla pod, milk chocolate and praline nuttiness with a light huff of cigar. Lovely purity of fruit at the centre, around which the gently buffed tannins swirl protectively and proudly. The freshness belies the 15% alcohol."

Jancis Robinson, Jancis Robinson, 02/06/2026



Or

"A nose of ripe red fruit, strawberry, raspberry and cherry. Elegantly structured on the palate, supported by refined acidity and appreciable length."

Concours Bruxelles, Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2026 Or



92/100

"Svelte, rich and full, yet with savory elegance that weaves through the ripe fruit, flecked with chocolate and tapenade. Hints of evolution -- tamed tannins, cigar box, brine, forest floor -- ride alongside the lushness, with tangy acidity bringing balance. Mourvèdre and Grenache. Drink now through 2037. 2,000 cases made, 200 cases imported."

Wine Spectator, Wine Spectator

93/100

"Red cherry fruit notes with some very light touches of fig and fine spiciness, black pepper, and light toasted notes. Pleasing broad on the palate with very nice red-fruited depth lingering in the finish."

Hudin, Hudin



90/100

Silver

Decanter, Decanter World Wine Awards Silver 2025



93/100

"Ripe black cherry, raspberry, red licorice, and an edge of pulverized stone open with good aromatic intensity on the nose. The palate is beautifully balanced, with blackberry and boysenberry seamlessly melding into menthol and cardamom before closing with a finish of talc and rose petal that lingers. Approachable now and absolutely worth seeking out."

Wine Enthusiast, Wine Enthusiast

