



Shâteauneuf-du-Pape

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— VIGNOBLES FAMILLE QUIOT —

# **Duclaux White 2022**

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.



#### **REVIEWS AND AWARDS**

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Bronze

"Exotic fruit characters with spicy oak. An appealing creamy custard finish."

International Wine and Spirit Competition 2024, 20/05/2024

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Bronze

"Fruits exotiques avec un chêne épicé. Une jolie finale de crème pâtissière."

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#### SILVER

**CONCOURS DES VINS DE BRUXELLES, 19/06/2024** 

## 90/100

"Luminous wheat gold in the glass, this 100% Grenache Blanc offers inviting aromas of ripe white stone fruits — peach, nectarine and apricot — intermingling with floral and citrus notes. Hints of honey and baking spice develop with air. On the palate, rich, full-bodied, almost oily texture with bright balancing acidity. Flavours of Meyer lemon, yellow grapefruit and peach are accented by an appealing minerality. The plush mouthfeel and depth of flavour make up for a slightly flat mid-palate. The lingering finish features zesty citrus pith and stone fruit. Fermented and aged in Burgundian barrels, with lees stirring — an atypical vinification method for the region results in a complex, layered white. The vineyard soils transition from sandy, pebbly alluvial soils in the south to clay-limestones on the slopes — lending freshness and texture. Concentrated yet refreshing, drink over the next 4–5 years."

Chris Howard, THE SOMM JOURNAL

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90/100

"A solid, structured and focused Chateauneuf-du-Pape blanc. On the nose it has aromas of baked lemons, peaches, cedar and sweet almonds. It's medium-bodied with a dense core of candied fruit combining nicely with a solid structure and a compact finish. Drink or hold."

James Suckling, James Suckling



