

MAISON  
**TARDIEU - LAURENT**  
FAMILLE TARDIEU



## Maison Tardieu Laurent - Hermitage

AOC Hermitage, Vallée du Rhône, France

Class and nobility : the very definition of the Wine of this superlative Terroir, in a Great Vintage.

### THE VINTAGE

Like 1991 coming after 1990, this Great Vintage - as this is a Great Vintage - may go somewhat unnoticed, after the celebrated 2015, and in the shade of its dazzling southern cousin...

A certain heterogeneity amongst Red Wines, a gorgeous aromatic definition in the white Wines. All Northern wines will not necessarily be successful this year. The harvest was generous. Sometimes even a little too generous. The quality of some cuvées undeniably suffered, on some sectors. However, and as always, the "reasonable and serious" Vignerons produced superbly colorful, stylish, and mineral Wines, which ranks this 2016 Vintage in the elite of the successful Vintages. with full, juicy, and silkiest Wines !

### TERROIR

Rouméas, Pierrelles, les Diognères.

### TYPE OF SOIL

Clayey granitic.

### AGEING

12 months in new and one old barrels. Then 10 months in foudre. Allier-Tronçais-Jupille

### VARIETALS

Serine, Syrah

### TECHNICAL DATA

Age of vines: 60 years. years old

13,5% % VOL.

Bottling: Without fining and filtration

### SERVING

16°C

Decant 1 hour before service.

### REVIEWS AND AWARDS



17/20

"L'Hermitage est bâti dans un style concentré, en finesse. Ca ne sera pas le plus puissant des vins de ce cru mais il séduira par sa volupté."

La Revue du Vin de France





17+/20

"Mid crimson. Savoury with mid concentration. Not quite as compelling as the Côte Rôtie, though admittedly much more youthful. A solid effort – and Hermitage is meant to be nothing if not solid. Not entrancing but a true rendition of the appellation. Fresh on the finish but it seems less ambitious than some others within their appellations."

Jancis Robinson, 01/12/2017

**Wine Spectator**

93/100

"Youthfully tight, with a core of cassis, cherry paste and raspberry coulis flavors still wrapped up, while light cocoa, bergamot, singed mesquite and incense notes weave around. Offers a very refined feel through the finish. Cellar a touch to let this stretch out. Best from 2020 through 2030"

Wine Spectator, 27/03/2019



93-95/100

"Opaque ruby. Deep-pitched cherry, blackberry and incense aromas are complemented by smoky mineral and spice nuances. Broad, sappy black and blue fruit flavors show an outstanding blend of power and finesse, and a sexy floral pastille nuance builds in the glass. Impressively lively for its heft thanks to a core of juicy acidity that adds nervy back-end cut. Finishes very long and sweet, with supple tannins coming in late."

Josh Reynolds, Vinous, 01/06/2018

