

MAISON
TARDIEU - LAURENT
FAMILLE TARDIEU



**Maison Tardieu-Laurent Côtes-du-Rhône Villages
Les Becs Fins**

AOC Côtes du Rhône Villages, Vallée du Rhône, France

Vini?é without sulfur, without ?ltration. The fruit remains intact, pure. An attractive Wine for thirst - Vin de soif !

THE VINTAGE

Strange and paradoxical... This vintage has reserved us quite a few surprises, and still raises questions. Although described as « Great » by some Vignerons, its strong heterogeneity, depending on the sectors, imposes us to be attentive, measured, though hopeful.

2018 : the vegetative cycle is early. Spring sees generous rains and heat strokes alternate. According to "Elders", from memory one has to get back to the 60' to observe such pressure of diseases in the vineyard. And, unfortunately for some Domaines, the processing windows would, in the main, only open at the week-ends... The vintage therefore promises to be technically complicated, demanding meticulous, tedious, even relentless work, in the vineyards. Damage and losses vary... but yields on Grenache are historically low... Providentially, once again, we could count on Mother Nature's final "nudge" ! Without hesitation we can assert that the quality of the remaining grapes, the quality of their juice, is mainly due to a brilliant month of September.

Indeed, the weather conditions during the harvest were almost perfect. Cool but sunny weather, with well-marked, valued, thermal amplitudes... The Vigneron was able to choose in all serenity the ideal moment to harvest, plot of land by plot of land, without having to operate any constrained arbitration...

TERROIR

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TYPE OF SOIL

Round pebbles.

AGEING

Ageing 10 months in concrete tanks.

WINEMAKING

100% destemmed

VARIETALS

Syrah 60%, Grenache 40%

14% % VOL.

Bottling: Without fining and filtration.

TECHNICAL DATA

Age of vines: Grenache: 60 years, Syrah: 30 years old

SERVING

14°C

TASTING

Very detached Style, no artifice. Lush Cuvée with a pure fruit...



REVIEWS AND AWARDS



15,5/20

"Mid crimson. Firm hint of Syrah on the nose and then pretty juicy soft fruit on the palate. A little grainy and drying on the end. Wait a little while..."

Jancis Robinson, 11/11/2019



91/100

Wine Enthusiast, 11/01/2021

