

MAISON  
**TARDIEU - LAURENT**  
FAMILLE TARDIEU



## Maison Tardieu-Laurent Les Becs Fins

AOC Côtes du Rhône, Vallée du Rhône, France

### THE VINTAGE

Vintage 2021 was incontestably a thumb to the nose of the last "solar" vintages which we have seen recently in the Rhone Valley. Real 30 year flashback, typically reminiscent of more classical harvest dates in the Vindémiare calendar and phenolic maturity from the 90s..

Indeed, this vintage has given us, on all levels, a lot of emotions. Blame it on the particularly capricious weather conditions, sweet understatement!

Extreme frost episode from 7th to 9th April, with some temperatures nearing -10C, affected without exception almost all the French vineyards. Cataclysmic observations: the vine for more than 3 weeks was brain dead! Some vinegrowers thought they had lost their ancestral heritage. Miraculously, nature took back control. But this was not without consequences. The vine stocks were deeply tilted, even unbalanced. The 2nd shoots were anarchic, the labour work extremely complicated.

Fortunately, the beneficial rains throughout the vegetative cycle, the moderate temperature in the summer and a beautiful late autumn enabled us to approach harvest season with serenity.

Like every year, nature decides for us. This is what makes this job beautiful and delicate. But undeniably, 2021 will remain forever the vintage of a great "vigneron" (vinegrower).

### TERROIR

Big rounded pebbles from Lirac et Synar-gues, Roaix, Visan, Plan de Dieu

### TYPE OF SOIL

Round pebbles.

### AGEING

Ageing 10 months in concrete tanks.

### WINEMAKING

100% destemmed

### VARIETALS

Syrah 70%, Grenache 30%

### 14,5% % VOL.

Bottling: Without fining and filtration.

### TECHNICAL DATA

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

### SERVING

14°C

### TASTING

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

### REVIEWS AND AWARDS



88/100

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**JEB DUNNUCK** 90/100

"Looking at the 2021s, the 2021 Côtes Du Rhône Les Becs Fins has outstanding potential, with solid aromatics of dark, almost blue fruits as well as peppery herbs and some minerality. It's medium-bodied, and has a great finish."

**Jeb Dunnuck, Jeb Dunnuck, 11/11/2022**

