

MAISON  
**TARDIEU - LAURENT**  
FAMILLE TARDIEU



## Maison Tardieu - Laurent - Côte Rôtie Vieilles Vignes

AOC Côte Rôtie, Vallée du Rhône, France

*Wine of hearts of Coteaux. Only from "major" Terroirs on Côte Brune.*

### THE VINTAGE

Indisputable and obvious consequences of a climatic change?

The Rhone vineyard has experienced in the last two years, two extreme, paradoxical and diametrically opposite vintages. 2021, frosty, cool and rainy. 2022 excessively dry and sunny.

This observation leaves us perplexed and wondering about the future of the vineyards.

Our overall assessment of the first juices was more severe, but certainly more objective than those of our colleagues, describing the vintage as one of the most qualitative of the last five years.

Of course 2022, has some wonderful surprises in store for us but also its fair share of disappointments.

As a matter of fact, the "Great Valley" had to go through a lot of climatic pitfalls during the season. Due to the intense, previously unseen and unprecedented drought.

Once again, the resilience of the vine in the face of these climatic hazards, commands our respect and admiration. But up until which point?

As so often, may be too much to our liking, everything hangs by a thread..

The mid-august and September rain more or less intense, had the salvaging effect on the sectors where the point of no return, water stress and the balance had not yet been reached.

This 2022 vintage is also indeniably marked by a strong heterogeneity between the appellations but also at the heart of the same appellation. Tastings at producers are primordial for amateurs. Our meticulous work of selection will have even more meaning this year and will reveal our know-how!

The north was more spared by the pangs of the vintage.

The maturities are regularly achieved and the alcohol degrees moderated.

The palates are luscious, plump, and toned.

Wines with typicity, style which will bring happiness to the sommeliers and restaurants alike!

### TERROIR

Landonne, Lancement, Chavaroche

### AGEING

12 months in new and one old barrels.

Then 12 months in foudre.

Tronçais – Allier

### WINEMAKING

100% not destemmed

### VARIETAL

Serine, Syrah 100%

**13 % VOL.**

### TECHNICAL DATA

Age of vines: More than 60 years years old



## REVIEWS AND AWARDS

JAMESUCKLING.COM

94/100

"A well-balanced, intense, textured and lively Cote-Rotie, proposing aromas of dark cherries, smoke, dried herbs, stones and peppercorns. It's medium-bodied with fine, firm tannins. Silky texture at the center, with a well-integrated structure framing the palate. Focused and full of verve with a fleshy character. Peppery and vivid finish with length. Try from 2026."

James Suckling, James Suckling, 15/10/2024

JEB DUNNUCK

95+/100

"Like the Hermitage, the 2022 Côte Rôtie Vieilles Vignes is ripe and unevolved, yet it brings another level of mid-palate density and overall concentration. Awesome red and blue fruits, spring flowers, pepper, and violet notes all define this beauty, and it hits the palate with full-bodied richness, a layered, seamless mouthfeel, and ripe tannins. It's a big Côte Rôtie that has balance as well as finesse, although the cellar will be your friend on this one, and it has ample baby fat to shed. Give bottles 4-5 years if you can, and enjoy over the following two decades."

Jeb Dunnuck, Jeb Dunnuck, 15/10/2024

