Maison

TARDIEU - LAURENT

FAMILLE TARDIEU



Maison Tardieu Laurent - Châteauneuf du Pape - Cuvée Spéciale

AOC Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Vallée du Rhône, France

Unconcerned by the variations in fashion, this wine uses each vintage to display new facets... A taste absolutely to savour : a question of culture as much as pleasure!

THE VINTAGE

The rather warm conditions of the last few vintages could have led us to believe that the same conditions would repeat themselves with the 2008 vintage, but, that was not the case! The 2008 vintage will have a style that one could call old fashion, the product of a vintage that was from cold to very cold with very slow maturing rates.

The spring rainfall did not make things easier, promoting mildew which was responsible for the loss of part of the harvest.

The rather cold summer, with no periods of excessive heat, did not promote fast maturation of the grapes as had been the case in previous years.

At the beginning of September, an unexpected rainfall came to add complexity to this vintage, with strong rains, mainly in the north and in the Rhône Valley. This wet period was fared perfectly in those areas where the sanitary state of the fruit

was perfect. The grapes that were in perfect good health were found in those vineyards belonging to the best vignerons. It was these same vignerons that received the full benefit of a long favorable period with cool temperatures and plenty of sun beginning in mid-September.

The weather during harvest brought smiles to our faces, knowing that the quality potential was rather good.

TERROIR

La Crau.

AGEING

One wine selection of Allier and Troncais casks.

WINEMAKING

Non destemmed.

VARIETAL

Grenache 100%

14,5% % VOL.

Bottling: Without filtration.

TASTING

TECHNICAL DATA

Age of vines: 80 and 100 years. years old

