

MAISON
TARDIEU - LAURENT
FAMILLE TARDIEU



Maison Tardieu-Laurent Côtes-du-Rhône Rouge Guy Louis

AOC Côtes du Rhône, Vallée du Rhône, France

Assemblage of Wines produced in Crus. And nothing but. A completely deliberate choice, so as to bring this Cuvée to the highest levels of quality ! Beautiful success in the vintage.

THE VINTAGE

Understanding and succeeding this vintage required, indeed, presence in the Vineyard, careful work, experience, and even, clearly, a genuine expertise...

Winter temperatures amongst the mildest in the decade, rainfall amounts amongst the highest ever in winter, among the lowest ever in spring, and a nice output of grapes throughout the Rhone cépages : everything would raise hope of an early vintage, the ever expected Vintage, satisfactory both in terms of quantity and of quality ! But it was not counting on an unusually cool and rainy summer... Vignerons are soon confronted with quite a few difficulties, the trickiest one being the management of diseases...

The first three weeks of September revive the vintage... September, the month of wine !

2014 demanded, especially during the final weeks, hard, incessant work. The vines were in demand. It was crucial to understand, to be able to anticipate... This required a bit of wisdom, reason, intuition...

A vintage for Vignerons, indeed. And the best ones did perform with talent. They are now rewarded. As for the others, alas... There, is the whole difference

TERROIR

Rasteau, Lirac, Beaume de Venise, Vacqueyras.

AGEING

12 months in one and two vintages old barrels, and 6 months in foudre. Allier and Tronçais.

WINEMAKING

1/3 non destemmed.

Organic Farming.

VARIETALS

Grenache 60%, Syrah 40%

14% % VOL.

Bottling: Without fining and filtration.

TECHNICAL DATA

Age of vines: Grenache : 50 years, Syrah : 40 years. years old

SERVING

14°C

Decant an hour before tasting.

