

MAISON  
**TARDIEU - LAURENT**  
FAMILLE TARDIEU



## Maison Tardieu-Laurent Cornas - Coteaux

AOC Cornas, Vallée du Rhône, France

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### 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..

North winds coupled with a lovely late summer make forget this atypical summer. The grapes reach an excellent phenolic maturity.

The vines were in demand. It was crucial to understand, to be able to anticipate...

This required a bit of wisdom, reason, intuition...

### TERROIR

Les Savaux.

### AGEING

18 months in new and one vintage barrels - Tronçais et Allier. Then 6 months in foudre.

### WINEMAKING

50% destemmed.

### VARIETALS

Sérine, Syrah

### TECHNICAL DATA

Age of vines: 60 to 100 years. years old

### 13% % VOL.

Bottling: Sans collage, ni filtration.

### SERVING

16°C

Decant 2 hours before tasting.

### TASTING

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## REVIEWS AND AWARDS



16,5/20

"Dark lively crimson. Very sumptuous nose. Heady and flattering. Sweet start and mouth filling. A world away from the Cornas of old! I would hate to be served this blind. Almost plummy – like stewed plums with a dash of cinnamon. No more than medium weight with tannins almost submerged by ripe, soft fruit."

**Jancis Robinson, 30/10/2015**



91-93/100

"Glass-staining ruby. Ripe dark berries, potpourri and fruitcake on the deeply scented nose. Plush and sweet on the palate, offering intense blackberry liqueur and cherry compote flavors underscored and lifted by juicy acidity. Finishes on a smoky mineral note, displaying very good energy and length and harmonious tannins."

**Josh Raynolds, Vinous, 01/02/2016**

17/20

"Entre élégance naturelle, finesse de grain et parfaite lecture de leurs appellations respectives, les vins présentés confortent notre idée selon laquelle il s'écrit ici un hommage aux grands vins du Rhône."

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