

DOMAINE DE FONDRÈCHE

VENTOUX - PERSIA

RHÔNE

Story

The Domaine de Fondrèche estate is situated at the foot of Mont Ventoux, the famous mountain in the Vaucluse department of the South of France, and covers a surface area of 38 hectares. For over twenty years the vineyard has been tended using natural methods to create a harmony between the vines, the earth, and the surrounding environment, and to produce wines that reflect the local terroir. The yield of each varietal is reasoned, no chemical weed killers are used, and the earth is worked mechanically to strengthen the natural defences of the vines, encouraging the roots to burrow deeper and thereby protecting the vines from bad weather. Fondrèche is a unique place, with a special terroir and climate due to the influence of Mont Ventoux which brings currents of cold air and leads to big differences in temperature between day and night.

Grape varieties

90% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre

Terroir

The vines were planted around forty years ago on the plateau's clay-chalk soil. This careful parcellary selection really reveals the potential of the vineyard.

Winemaking

Total destemming, traditional winemaking method.

Vatting for 14 to 21 days with only a few pigeage operations to ensure slow and gradual extraction.

Aged for 12 months on the lees in barrels and large 'foudre' casks.

Tasting notes

Color : Dark with purple flecks.

Nose : notes of crème de cassis, violet, graphite and a slight oakiness.

Palate : Ample with a full-bodied richness and elegant tannins. A well-rounded and sophisticated wine.

Pairing suggestions

Will goes perfectly with lamb tagine, osso buco or meat in a sweet and sour sauce.



Press ratings

93 pts Jeb Dunnuck – 2018 vintage

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92-94 pts Wine Advocate – 2016 vintage

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