

CHÂTEAU GIGOGNAN

CÔTES DU RHÔNE

RHÔNE

Story

In the heart of the Rhône Valley, a 10 minutes drive from Châteauneuf-du-Pape, lies Château Gigognan, an ancient vineyard from the Roman era, whose winemaking traditions have deep roots in the history of the region. The estate has known several different incarnations. It wasn't until 1996 that Gigognan turned a new page in its history, when it was bought by a local entrepreneur. In 2017, a new team of professionals and experts were put in place and the vineyard underwent an unprecedented renewal. Château Gigognan covers 110 ha of which 40 ha are in AOP Châteauneuf-du-Pape, 23 ha in Côtes-du-Rhône Villages Signargues, 23 ha in Côtes-du-Rhône Villages and 24 ha in Côtes-du-Rhône.

Farming philosophy : Organic certification in 2010

Vineyard Information

Grape varieties : 75% Grenache noir, 10% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre, 5% Cinsault

Plot size : 0,93 ha (2.3 acres)

Average age of the vines : 25-30 years

South facing, on a gentle hillside around the castle

Elevation : 50m (165 ft)

Soils : Clay-limestone covered with rolled pebbles

FARMING PRACTICES

- Training method : Guyot
- No herbicides
- Green harvesting some years (thinning out the leaves)
- Cover crops
- Mowing by sheep in April
- Organic treatments

Winemaking

- Machine harvested / destemmed with sorting
- Fermentation : Temperature-controlled stainless-steel tank / 10 days
- Pneumatic press
- Aging : 8-12 months in stainless-steel tank / on fine lees
- Fined : No
- Filtration : Yes
- SO2 Total : <100ppm
- Vegan : Yes

Tasting notes

Generous nose of red fruits lifted by light notes of spices. Fruity and smooth tannins on the palate, with notes of cherry and blackberry. Nice freshness on the finish revealing a good structure.



Press Ratings

91 pts Wine Enthusiast - 2022 vintage

90 pts Wine Enthusiast - 2019 vintage