

CHÂTEAU GIGOGNAN

CÔTES DU RHÔNE VILLAGES – BOIS DES MOINES

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 times, whose winemaking tradition has deep roots into the history of the region. The estate has known several different lives. It wasn't until 1996 that Gigognan turned a new page in its history when it was bought by a local entrepreneur. In 2012, a new team of professionals and experts was put in place and the vineyard underwent an unprecedented renewal and investments. Château Gigognan covers 100 ha of which 40 ha are in AOC 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

Cuvee produced from a strict plot and intra-plot selection

Vineyard Information

Grape varieties : 50% Roussanne, 33% Grenache Blanc, 9% Clairette, 8% Bourboulenc

Plot size : 0,44 ha (1,08 acres)

Average age of the vines : 25-30 ans

South facing

Elevation : 50m (165 ft)

Soils : Clay-limestone with marly sand and rolled pebbles

FARMING PRACTICES

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

Winemaking

- Hand picked grapes / Destemmed with sorting
- Pneumatic press
- Fermentation : Temperature controlled stainless steel tank (65%) and oak barrels (35%) / 15 days – No malolactic fermentation
- Aging : 8 months in seasoned oak barrels (30%) and stainless steel tank (70%) / on lees
- Fined : Yes
- Filtration : Yes
- SO2 Total : <100ppm Vegan : Yes

Tasting notes

Delicate nose with toasted and floral notes of hawthorn and licorice. Powerful palate combining roundness, structure and bite to make this Côtes-du-Rhône-Villages a racy white wine, expressing its terroir.

