

Château de Beaucastel,
Châteauneuf-du-Pape Rouge 2021
Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Southern Rhône, France



Grape Varieties

30%	Grenache
30%	Mourvèdre
15%	Syrah
10%	Roussanne
5%	Cinsault

Winemaker	Cesar Perrin
Closure	Natural Cork
ABV	14.5%
Residual Sugar	0.8g/L
Acidity	4.9g/L
Wine pH	3.58
Bottle Sizes	75cl
Notes	Certified Organic, Vegetarian, Vegan

PRODUCER

The 16th century Château de Beaucastel was acquired by the Perrin family in the early 1900s. With a global following for their benchmark Châteauneuf du Pape, the wines at this historic property are consistently among the finest in the region.

VINEYARDS

Château de Beaucastel owns 110 hectares of vineyards in the north of the Châteauneuf-du-Pape appellation, where they grow all 13 grape varieties authorised by the appellation rules. In addition to prime vineyard holdings, the Perrin family are pioneers of sustainable farming, having converted to organic viticulture as early as 1950 and having farmed biodynamically since 1974. The vines are on average 50-years-old. They are planted on pudding stone soils, which are traditional to the Southern Rhône. These stones retain heat from the day and keep the vines warm at night, helping to ripen the grapes. The sub-soils are made up of sand, clay and limestone.

VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage is one marked by freshness, similar to vintages of the eighties and nineties. Human intervention and care to the vines was essential in the success of this vintage. There were many climatic events including a frost in April, and an interrupted harvest due to rain. This required constant investment from the vineyard teams. The team's attention to detail and commitment to the fruit has created a vintage of exceptional freshness and great balance.

VINIFICATION

Each variety was hand harvested and vinified separately, and then carefully sorted upon arrival to the winery. The grapes are macerated on the skins, then transferred into oak barrels or concrete tanks depending on the varietal. Following malolactic fermentation, the varietals are then blended and the resulting wine is then aged in Oak foudres for one year prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES

This wine is a deep-ruby with purple reflections. The nose reveals a beautiful freshness and a seductive aromatic bouquet combining notes of red fruit, spices and white pepper with a hint of perfectly integrated toasted vanilla. Full bodied, and very soft, the palate presents a very nice balance with freshness and flavours of black cherry jam. The finish is long with good intensity and velvety tannins.