

Baron de Badassière,
Syrah IGP Côtes de Thau 2024
Eastern Languedoc, Languedoc, France



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Grape Varieties	100% Syrah
Winemaker	Marguerite Vasseur
Closure	Screwcap
ABV	13%
Residual Sugar	2.24g/L
Acidity	4.95g/L
Wine pH	3.54
Bottle Sizes	75cl
Notes	Vegetarian, Vegan

PRODUCER

The Baron de Badassière wines come from Picpoul de Pinet, an appellation near the coast in the Languedoc. Its name derives from the Badassière vineyard, situated near the small town of Pomérol, which in the 18th century belonged to Baron Charles Emmanuel, a colourful character rumoured to be the illegitimate son of King Louis XV. These wines are made exclusively for Liberty Wines at the Cave de Pomérols cooperative by winemaker Marguerite Vasseur and New Zealand consultant Matt Thomson.

VINEYARDS

The Syrah grapes for this wine were grown in vineyards around Badassière in the Languedoc in the south of France. This region benefits from a sunny, warm climate which encourages ripe flavours in the wines, while the coastal breezes help retain

VINTAGE

The 2024 vintage in the Languedoc proved challenging, with an unusually wet spring followed by damaging late frosts and hailstorms that created uneven development and increased mildew pressure. These adverse conditions resulted in significantly reduced yields across the region, though the grapes demonstrated remarkable resilience.

VINIFICATION

Upon arrival at the winery, the grapes are destemmed and macerated on their skins, then pressed in the pneumatic press. The must was cold settled and then fermented at a controlled temperature with regular racking off and pumping over.

TASTING NOTES

Deep dark red in colour, this wine reveals aromas of black pepper and liquorice, alongside flavours of red fruits and a hint of cocoa. The palate is rich and juicy with supple tannins and a fresh, lifted finish.