Cotes du Roussillon Rouge Organic Château de Jau 2021



Region

Roussillon has a Mediterranean climate resulting in warm and sunny days, with strong tramontane wind, making ideal growing conditions for grapes and allows a high proportion of organic wines to be made here. Dominated by the Pyrenees, vineyards are planted on lower slopes of steep hillsides of limestone, schist and granite. Historically trained as bush vines with work done by hand which, although some are using trellising today, is still the common practice. The Côtes de Roussillon Villages AOC covers a much smaller area for red wines only and plantings on slightly higher slopes resulting in more acidity and concentration.

Producer

Founded in the 12th century by Cistercian monks, this important estate of around one hundred hectares is now the property of the Dauré family. Located in the heart of the Agly Valley, Château de Jau pioneered wine tourism creating the first wine-grower restaurant and a contemporary art space. A small road to the estate winds through a Mediterranean setting where olive trees, cypresses and vines share the land, showing how picturesque Roussillon is. Climatic conditions are perfect, the sunshine allows the schistose marls to store the heat during the day and to restore it to the grapes at night and the Mediterranean Sea which tempers the summer heat and the tramontana wind which blows all year round, gives a cooling influence.

Tasting Notes

The nose reveals a rich range of black fruit, liquorice and black olive aromas which continue on the palate with strong influence from Syrah. This wine offers powerful structure, density and body, with lots of freshness, elegance and silky tannins. A sophisticated wine that will transport you to the Mediterranean.

Food

Pairs beautifully with rich meals such as Beef casserole or Lamb Tagine.

Technical Information

Country	France	Dry/Sweet Style	Dry	
Region	Roussillon	Alcohol Content	14%	
Grape(s)	Syrah (60%) Grenache Noir (20%) Mourvèdre (10%) Carignan (10%)	Closure Style	Screw cap	
		Organic/Biodynamic	Organic	
		Allergens		No
Туре	Red		Egg:	No
Style	Spicy	Vegetarian/Vegan		No
Oaked Style	Unoaked		Vegan:	No
Body Style	Medium bodied			
Sustainable	Yes-certified sustainable			
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