

CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE ROUGE 2019 DOMAINE PIERRE USSEGLIO

The Domaine Pierre USSEGLIO is a family business, created in 1948 by Francis USSEGLIO from Italy and is one of the most well-regarded producers in Châteauneuf-du-Pape. This first-class Domaine is now run by Pierre Usseglio's sons Jean-Pierre and Thierry. They own 39 hectares of vineyards, including 24 of Châteauneuf-du-Pape red, with some of the best locations in the region.

The excellent terroir, old vines and generations of craftmanship have resulted in wines of the highest quality.

Grape: Grenache 70%, Syrah 15%, Mourvèdre 10%, Cinsault 5%

Vineyard & Vinification Note:

The parcels are spread over the entire area of the Châteauneuf-du-Pape appellation.

The various locations boast four different types of terroir which has great impact on the complexity in the wines. There are lime-rich, cool locations as well as dry, warm sandy soil.

24 hectares of Châteauneuf-du-Pape Rouge.

The vines are between 35 and 75 years old.

Harvest is done by hand.

This red Châteauneuf-du-Pape is made in the traditional way. The grapes harvested manually, are destemmed at 60%. Fermentation is followed by thermoregulation; it lasts from 25 to 35 days.

The wines are aged in oak barrels, in 1/2 muids, in concrete vats and barrels over a period of 12 months.

Tasting Note: A rainy spring followed by a hot and dry summer brings balance and finesse to Châteauneuf-du-Pape Tradition 2019. Beautiful aromas of black fruits, raspberry, blackcurrant, and prune, with pretty tannins, silky and smooth, and a long creamy finish. A good ageing potential with high acidity and a moderate alcohol content.



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Jeb Dunnuck: The 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape boasts a vivid purple hue as well as a complex bouquet of red, blue, and black fruits as well as notes of flowers, spice, and peppery garrigue. It actually reminds me of the Cuvée Mon Aïeul with its ripe yet elegant profile. Full-bodied, balanced, and lengthy, it's going to offer loads of pleasure over the coming 10-15 years. **94 Points, November 2021.**

Wine Spectator: Juicy and direct, with bright cassis and cherry compote notes and red licorice and sweet tobacco flavors. Offers a flash of garrigue that keeps it honest through the finish, with good energy adding length. Grenache, Syrah, Cinsault and Mourvèdre. Drink now through 2032. 2,900 cases made; 800 cases imported. **92 Points, James Molesworth, December 2021**

Wine Advocate: A blend sourced from numerous sites across the appellation, the 2019 Chateauneuf du Pape is full-bodied and plush, loaded with notes of asphalt, blackberries and black olives. Plush and easy to drink, this blend of 70% Grenache, 15% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre and 5% Cinsault may be consumed young or aged up to a decade. **92 Points, Joe Czerwinski, May 2022**

Food pairing:

A great pairing to charcuterie, red meat, game, a mushroom fricassee, and cheeses.