



AB ANDRÉ BRUNEL

Les Cailloux - (reds) 2020



An outstanding Châteauneuf du Pape.

Terroir

This cuvee gets its name from the countless round pebbles present in the vineyards as well being at the origin of the Domaine's name.

The vineyard is composed of multiple plots, with each having its own characteristics which give this wine its incredible complexity: Bois de la Ville and Les Serres have a deficient and filtering gravel bed making for perfect draining of water to obtain a very concentrated juice. Farguerol and Cansaud have red and blue clays which boast an extremely rich aromatic property. Finally Cabrières and Revès whose chalky-like limestone brings the overall structure and long finish to the whole.

Tasting notes

A beautiful harvest with perfectly matured grapes and a unique balance between concentration and freshness. 2020 could be paired with the exceptional vintages 2010 and 2016. Its complexity and ageing potential is phenomenal. This vintage could be added to the exceptional ones like 2010 and 2016 because of his complexity and potential of ageing.

Bouquet: dominant aromas of red fruits enhanced by a woody touch from the barrel-contained Syrah grapes.

A great taste of red fruits, black fruits. The tannins are harmonious and elegant. Very long finish with complex aromas of orange peel, garrigue notes and white pepper.

This wine is a model of complexity and elegance. A wine that you could drink right now or wait ten years to enjoy its full potential.

Wine-Food Pairing: Red Meat - Game.

Technical sheet



Vinification

Concrete vat, destemming at 70% for the Grenache, and total destemming for the other grape varieties, racking and return for 5 weeks.



Maturing

Ageing for 18 months in barrels, from 1 to 2 years for the Syrah, ageing in concrete vats for 18 months for the other varieties. Final blending 6 months before bottling.



Type of harvest

Exclusively manual.



When to drink

These wines may be enjoyed when young to fully appreciate the fresh red fruits brought by the Grenache. But their ageing potential will fully reveal itself after a minimum of 5 years and their peak at around 10 years.



Blending

Grenache (70%), mourvèdre (17%), syrah (10%), cinsault (3%).



Yield

30 hl / h.



Average age of the vines

60 years.

