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Languedoc - Roussillon

Clos Centeilles

Vineyards size

32 acres (13 hectares)

Farming

Agriculture raisonnée Vineyards in terrace facing south Clay and limestone compose the top soil, and siliceous sandstone compose the deep soil Age of the vines: 15 to 60 years and 70 to 100 years for the carignans.

History

The top value of the domaine

Located at the foot of the Montagne Noir, at the crossroads of Hérault and Aude, the domaine is in the heart of the Petit Causse.

In the Oc language, you don't speak about a "château", but about "campagne", "mas" or "borie"; explaining the name of the wines.

The name Clos Centeilles comme from the name of the place where the domaine is located but also from the name of the cuvée which was done by Patricia Boyer Domergue in 1990.

Small parcels are cultivated in terrace, like in the old times to respect the Terroir; this has allowed some of them to be classified with the appellation Minervois la Livinière in 1999.

Whether you pick the red, the rosé or the white, each cuvée shows the expression, without make up, of the Terroir.

Harvest is done at maturity, 100% destemmed, using the technique of the "punching down" in large Hungarian barrels and doing long cuvaisons (3 to 8 weeks depending on the cepage) bring this domaine to be a reference.

The wines are typical, expressive, seductive; the have a great potential for aging and don't drink young for most of them !

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