



# Côte Rôtie

## 2016

""it's a sexy, oaky wine, loaded with cedar, vanilla and espresso notes. Medium to full-bodied, it's velvety on the palate, picking up some meaty notes on the finish." Joe Czerwinski, October 3lst 2018."



#### AWARDS

92 pts Wine Advocate92 pts Jeb Dunnuck

## Vintage

After a particularly mild winter, vines reached early maturity. The hot summer in the Northern Rhone Valley kept the vines very healthy, and the mid-harvest rains favoured a ripening without stress. The result is an aromatic profile, fresh and perhaps even more structured than 2015, making it an exceptional, incredibly deep vintage.

## Grape varieties

100% Syrah

#### Terroir

The selected plots come from the two sectors of the AOP:

- micaschist terraces from the Côte Brune (structure and complexity);
- gneiss and loess from the Côte Blonde (finesse and elegance).

#### Winemaking

Harvest started on September 22nd 2016. Grapes were handpicked and placed in vats. Fermentation and maceration lasted 20 days. Malolactic fermentation in 275-litre oak Laurus barrels followed by 15-months of elevage.

Production: 3 633 bottles, 105 magnums, 19 jeroboams and 10

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Bottled on: May 17th 2018

# Agreements & Services

Roasted quail with chestnuts – Deer with cranberries Serve at  $14-16\ ^{\circ}\text{C}$  – Ideal when opened 3 hours prior to serving Optimum maturity: 2018 – 2027