

# LAURUS

## Sélections Parcelles

Laurus means 'Laurel' in Latin, a Roman symbol of excellence. Here excellence is all about "terroir": the grapes are grown on plots we select for their ability to express the very best of each Appellation. The term "terroir" encompasses a soil, a climate and people. Here it is expressed through sustainable partnerships with wine-growers who share our vision. The maturing process in 275-litre Laurus barrels refines the structure, producing complex wines with plenty of character and good cellaring potential.



Châteauneuf-du-Pape

APPELLATION D'ORIGINE PROTÉGÉE

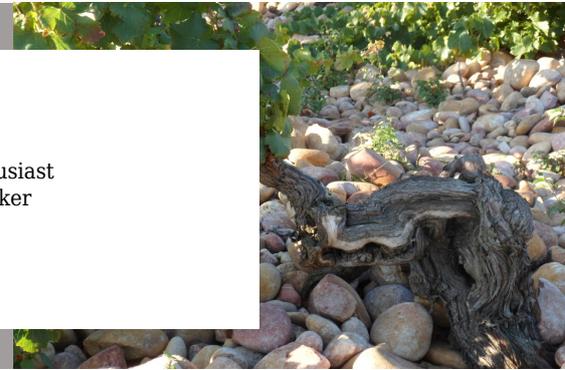


## Châteauneuf-du-Pape vintage 2018

2018 was atypical in many ways. This vintage required a constant presence from the vineyards to the cellar. After a mild Winter, the wet and rainy Spring gave way to a beautiful Summer, favoring a perfect growth of the grapes. September then ushered in an Indian Summer that proved to be more than ideal for harvests with cool nights and warm & sunny days. The grapes were harvested for a total of 8 weeks at optimal maturity and under ideal climatic conditions. The result is an elegant vintage with a particularly aromatic profile and a superbe balance.

### Awards

**92 pts** Wine Enthusiast  
**92 pts** Robert Parker



### TERROIR

50% terroirs of Quarzite and Silica in the form of round stones carried by the Rhône River on the Southwestern sector of the La Crau vineyard for the Grenache, and 50% sandy red clay from the southern sector of Fines Roches for the Clairette and Bourboulenc grapes.

### WINEMAKING

Beginning of harvest on September 11, 2018. All grapes were hand harvested in small crates and transported to the winery nearby, which are then chilled down in a refrigeration tunnel. They are then destemmed and pressed rapidly to avoid any oxidation of the juices. Following a short decanting to remove the gross lees, the juice is fermented directly in three barrels. Matured 7 months in Laurus barrels. No malo-lactic fermentation to retain as much fresh acidity as possible. Bottled on June 19, 2019. 394 bottles produced. Vegan Friendly.

### TASTING NOTES

The blend of these 3 grape varieties produces a classic and elegant white-flesh fruit notes such as peach, pear and apple. Rich and slightly tropical flavours come forth on the palate along with an almost creamy texture on the finish.

### GRAPE VARIETIES

50% Clairette, 30% Grenache blanc, 20% Bourboulenc

### AGE OF VINES AND YIELD

40 years on average - 27hl/ha

### SERVICE & FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

Served at 10-12°C  
Optimum maturity : 2019 - 2026  
ABV : 13.5%

Risotto with white truffle  
Monkfish medallion with crayfish  
Seared scallops in persillade