



CLOS DU MONT-OLIVET

Côtes du Rhône Rosé

'Le Rosé de Farel'

The family estate of Clos du Mont-Olivet is the collector's choice for traditional, aromatic and age-worthy southern Rhône blends. This multi-generational estate was one of the first wineries North Berkeley Imports partnered with in the south of France more than 25 years ago; since then, the estate has come to symbolize both what we seek out in winemaker-partners and importantly, what we hold true and dear in great wine. Always elegant, aromatic and long-lived, these wines reflect not only the rich character of southern Rhône terroir but also the subtle, spicy personalities of the region's native grapes. Clos du Mont-Olivet is "one of the great estates of Châteauneuf-du-Pape," says the Wine Advocate.

WINERY: Clos du Mont-Olivet

WINEMAKER: Thierry Sabon

ESTABLISHED: 1932

REGION: FRANCE • Rhône Valley • Châteauneuf-du-Pape

APPELLATION: Côtes du Rhône AOC

BLEND: 90% Grenache and 10% Syrah

VINEYARDS: Estate vineyards are located north of Bollène, at the border of the Vaucluse department and Drôme Provençale. A selection of fruit from lieu-dit 'La Blancherie,' on alluvial soils.

AGE OF VINES: 20-40 years

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Destemmed; Grenache grapes are pressed immediately, while Syrah grapes are macerated briefly in tank and then free-run juice bled off. Blended then fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks. Malolactic conversion blocked.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of grapefruit rind, red cherries, pink flowers, cranberry juice. Tangy, light and spicy; fresh and silky.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: As an aperitif; tomato-based Provençal fish stew; olive tapenade

NOTE: Pierre Farel is a local artist, born in Orange, who relocated to Corsica in 1977, where his mother's family was from. He is best known for his sensual images of men and women, and themes of music and travel.



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