



## CLOS DU MONT-OLIVET

### Côtes du Rhône Rouge Vieilles Vignes

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:** 80% Grenache, 10% Syrah and 10% Carignan

**VINEYARDS:** A selection of the estate's oldest vines from lieu-dits 'Montueil' and 'La Levade,' warmer sites with a mix of sand, clay and gravel-rich soils. Most vines were planted in the 1950s. Vineyards located north of Bollène, the border of the Vaucluse department and Drôme Provençale.

**AGE OF VINES:** 60-70 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Partially destemmed; fermented on indigenous yeasts in cement tank. Aged in older foudre, older barrels and tank. Bottled unfinned and unfiltered.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of garrigue, cherries and blackberries, light incense. Moderate tannins, mouth-filling. Flavors of raspberries, black cherries. Long finish.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Grilled lamb with herbs; roasted chicken with black olive tapenade



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