

DOMAINE ORATOIRE SAINT-MARTINCairanne Rouge 'Réserve des Seigneurs'

The finest leaders lead by example, and that is exactly what Frédéric and François Alary of Oratoire Saint-Martin in Cairanne have done for decades. Their personal modesty belies their unparalleled talent in crafting organically raised wines that speak of southern landscapes and summer-ripe flavors. The best wines of Cairanne are marked above all by an effortless finesse in both perfume and flavor. While other lower-land southern Rhônes struggle with heat and higher alcohol, Cairanne's top wines from its chalky hills are poised and pure. This character is preserved faithfully at Oratoire; here the soul of the wine comes directly from the soil and the vine.



WINERY: Domaine L'Oratoire Saint-Martin

WINEMAKERS: Frédéric and François Alary (brothers)

ESTABLISHED: 1692

REGION: FRANCE • Rhône Valley • Cairanne

APPELLATION: Cairanne AOC

BLEND: 60% Grenache, 30% Mourvèdre and 10% Syrah

VINEYARDS: A selection of fruit from the estate's two lieu-dits. Grenache and Mourvèdre from 'Les Douyes,' a limestone-rich plot facing northeast; and

Syrah from 'Saint-Martin,' which faces south.

AGE OF VINES: 65 years, on average

WINEMAKING: Hand-harvested. Fermented on indigenous yeasts in cement tank. Aged for nine months in tank. Bottled unfined and unfiltered.

TASTING IMPRESSIONS: Aromas of raspberries, baking spices, colored

peppers. Ripe tannins; black cherries, light licorice notes.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Grilled lamb or beef; roasted chicken with herbs

