

## DOMAINE ANNE GROS & JEAN-PAUL TOLLOT Vin de France 'L'O de la Vie'

The cool elegance of Burgundy, the warm soul of southern France—winemaker Anne Gros (of Domaine Anne Gros in Vosne-Romanée) is without question crafting some of the more harmonious, captivating red blends in the Languedoc today. The estate's 35 acres of old vines in Cazelles grow on a plateau at the foot of the Montagne Noir, 660 feet above sea level, the same altitude as Vosne-Romanée in Burgundy. This breathtaking region boasts exceptional terroir, as both limestone and chalk-rich fossils are abundant. Cooler temperatures allow grapes to ripen slowly, the result being balanced, mineral-infused wines without excessive levels of alcohol.

WINERY: Domaine Anne Gros & Jean-Paul Tollot

WINEMAKER: Anne Gros ESTABLISHED: 2006

**REGION:** FRANCE • Languedoc-Roussillon • Cazelles

**APPELLATION:** Vin de France IGP

BLEND: 100% Syrah

**VINEYARDS:** A selection of fruit from young vines grown on a combination

of clay and limestone on a slope bordering a small stream.

**AGE OF VINES:** 10 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Destemmed; fermented on indigenous yeasts in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks. Aged also in tank.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of wildflowers, light pepper, violets. Tangy

and juicy, round tannins; flavors of summer berries.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS: Grilled meats, such as lamb or pork; French dried

saucisson

**NOTES:** 'L'O de la Vie' is a play on "eau de vie," or water of life.

