

## CLOS DU MONT-OLIVET Gard IGP 'La Quête' 2021

The family estate of Clos du Mont-Olivet is the collector's choice for traditional, aromatic and age-worthy southern Rhône blends. This multigenerational 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 winemakerpartners 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: Gard IGP

BLEND: 100% Cinsaut

**VINEYARDS:** Estate vineyards are located on the "rive droite" (right bank) of the Rhône river, due west of Châteauneuf-du-Pape, near the village of Saint-Laurent des Arbres, from a lieu-dit called 'Le Plan Sud.' Soils are sandy.

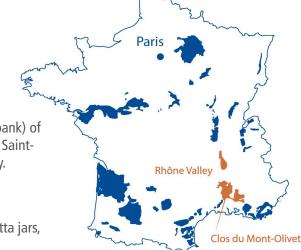
## AGE OF VINES: 45-60 years

**WINEMAKING:** Hand-harvested. Whole-cluster fermentation (semicarbonic) on indigenous yeasts in cement tanks. Aged 75% in terracotta jars, 25% in older oak barrel for one year. Unfined and unfiltered.

**TASTING IMPRESSIONS:** Aromas of purple flowers, red cherry, raspberry, light tea, some licorice. Tannins present but smooth; mineral notes.

**PAIRING SUGGESTIONS:** Grilled pork sausages with herbs; lamb burgers; smoked meats

NOTES: 'La Quête' means "quest" in French



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