



AU CŒUR DU VENTABREN 2023

A.O.C Côtes-du-Rhône Villages Roaix

This cuvée is produced with grapes from a **single plot of syrah** planted in 1975 in the foothills of the Ventabren massif in a zone known as "Croix de Cornu". The **clay soil is made up of yellow and white marlstone** which naturally gives a low yield of 30 hectoliters per hectare.

The location and orientation of this terroir, **situated at an altitude of 320m**, tend to give rise to a **late harvest (October 4th)**. The grapes are **handpicked and destemmed before vatting**. The **maceration in cement vats** lasts 35 days and fermentation occurs thanks to the **yeasts naturally present** in the grapes. Occasional pumping over and cap punching is performed to extract the phenolic compounds as delicately as possible. The wine is then **matured in large barrels for 14 months** before being bottled at one sitting, **without filtration or clarification**.

This wine stands out by its freshness and good length on the palate. It has a dark, almost black color, with blood-red flecks. The bouquet opens with smoky notes of black pepper and pale tobacco before developing mineral and woody aromas. Its spicy length on the palate is perfectly complemented by the freshness of the smooth, taut, and tight-knit tannins.

Decanter 2h before serving, ideal for laying down.

Pairings: wild duck, game served in wine-based sauces, roasted woodpigeon, or blue cheese.



Organic Wine certified by Ecocert

Biodynamic vines and wine certified by Demeter

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