



CLOS SAINT ANTONIN

Côtes-du-Rhône Villages Plan de Dieu

Clos Saint Antonin is a 15 hectare estate located outside the town of Jonquières within the Côtes-du-Rhône Village of Plan de Dieu. A short drive away from Courthézon where Domaine de la Janasse is situated, Clos Saint Antonin was purchased by the Sabon family in 2014. Small, compact and contiguous estates rarely come on the market in the Rhône, let alone ones planted on the classic red clays, galets and sand typical of Plan de Dieu. While it is quite common to see the famed estates of Châteauneuf-du-Pape looking over the Rhône river towards Lirac to expand their holdings, more and more are looking north to Plan de Dieu since this terroir is quite similar to what they find in their backyard. While the whole family is involved with its farming and winemaking, Isabelle Sabon is heading up this new project – one supplemented by some of her family's vineyards in Le Crau for the Clos Saint Antonin Châteauneuf-du-Pape.

ORIGIN

France

APPELLATION

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SOIL

Clay limestone, gravel

AGE OF VINES

60-70

ELEVATION

300 meters

VARIETIES

Grenache, Mourvèdre, Syrah

FARMING

Sustainable

FERMENTATION

Hand harvested, partially destemmed, natural yeast fermentation in vat, 25 day maceration with pigeage and remontage

AGING

12 months in foudre (Grenache) and 225-600L French oak barrels (Syrah & Mourvèdre)

St Antonin is the name of the 18th century Provençale Mas that stands in the center of the property an name that has been used in documents dating back to the time of Napoleon. Isabelle practices organic farming and her grapes are harvested by hand, partially destemmed and fermented by natural yeasts at Domaine de la Janasse.

Plan de Dieu is a blend of 60-70 year-old Grenache with 30% Mourvèdre and 10% Grenache from a 6-hectare parcel of vines planted next to the ancient farmhouse of St Antonin. The Plan de Dieu is aged in foudre (Grenache) and 225-600L French oak barrels (Syrah & Mourvèdre).

ACCOLADES

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