

LAURUS

Selections Parcelles

Laurus means 'Laurel' in Latin, a Roman symbol of excellence. Here excellence is all about "terroir": the grapes are grown on plots we select for their ability to express the very best of each Appellation. The term "terroir" encompasses a soil, a climate and people. Here it is expressed through sustainable partnerships with wine-growers who share our vision. The maturing process in 275-litre Laurus barrels refines the structure, producing complex wines with plenty of character and good cellaring potential.



Hermitage vintage 2013

After a very cold winter and late spring, the flowering process ended in mid-June. Summer weather conditions were stable with plentiful subsoil water supplies, enabling the ripening process to be completed in the best of conditions. Manual harvest began exceptionally late on the 20th of September.



TERROIR

Plots are selected on the Eastern sector of Hermitage hill, in the localities of :
 - « La Pierelle », North-East of the appellation. Terraces of round alluvial stones, 180 to 200 meters of altitude. - « Les Murets » to the East. Clay soils. 150 meters of altitude.
 - « La Beaume » in the heart of the appellation. Silty clay soils covered with pebbles.

WINEMAKING

After alcoholic fermentation in a vat, the wines underwent malolactic fermentation in 275-litre oak Laurus barrels. Elevation on fine lees over a period of 15 months (3 new barrels and 3 one-year old barrels).

Production: 1,510 bottles
 Bottled on: 3rd June 2015

TASTING NOTES

Deep purple-red robe. An elegant, harmonious aroma of plum and blueberry. The palate is lively and fresh with flavours of black cherry and a delicate but long peppery finish. (Oct. 2015).

GRAPE VARIETIES

100% Syrah

AGE OF VINES AND YIELD

30 years on average - 27 hl/ha

SERVICE & FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

16-18 °C - Ideal when opened 2 hours prior to serving
 Roasted pheasant with cranberry sauce.
 Beef stew with juniper berries
 Optimum maturity: 2016-2026
 ABV : 13%