



DOMAINE DES SÉNÉCHAUX  
Châteauneuf-du-Pape



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AOC CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE WHITE 2019

14,5%

The ancient vineyard of Châteauneuf-du-Pape became world famous when the Popes settled in Avignon in 1350. It later became the first French appellation d'origine in 1933 under the influence of Baron Le Roy. The Cazes family completes its range of quality vineyards by acquiring the Domaine des Sénéchaux located in the heart of prestigious Châteauneuf-du-Pape appellation.

### The terroir

3 ha located in the commune of Châteauneuf-du-Pape on a superficial sandy-clay soil, with a south south-westerly aspect.

### The vintage

The 2019 vintage was characterized by its heat. After a mild winter with a few light frosts (-1 to -2°) and Mistral northerly winds, the month of February was marked by fine weather with temperatures exceeding 20°, leading to a slightly early budburst between 20 and 25 March.

With 130mm of rainfall recorded at the end of winter, parasite damage was very low during spring and flowering took place in perfect conditions from 20 to 30 May.

June to September could only be described as scorching and with no rain, but thanks to the excessive rainfall of 2018, the vines did not suffer from water stress. By September the foliage was still green and the ripeness levels were consistent and optimal. The harvest took place from 9 September to 4 October in perfectly healthy conditions, suggesting potential for high quality in this vintage.

### Tasting notes

The 2019 vintage is bright with nice viscosity. It is pale yellow in colour with hints of green.

The bouquet rolls out intense, complex floral notes and aromas of ripe white-fleshed fruit, citrus (lemon zest, pink grapefruit) and exotic fruit.

The attack on the palate is bold and well-balanced with a lovely fleshy character. The many different flavours develop exquisitely into a fresh, rounded, elegant finish with toasted notes.

This wine boasts delicate woody notes, with a pleasant structure and superb finesse.

### Culture

Short pruning, ploughing, organic fertilizer, leaf thinning, manual harvesting.

### Vinification

The press was filled by gravity with light crushing of the grapes. Skin maceration of the Roussanne and Clairette. Cold racking, followed by thermo regulated vinification (18°).

### Grape varieties

35% Roussanne, 30% Clairette, 27% Grenache blanc et 8% Bourboulenc

### Aging

Fermentation and maturing for 6 months in one-wine barrels with 60% Roussanne and 15% Clairette.

### Palmarès

93 points - Robert Parker 2020

93 points - Jeb Dunnuck 2020

Silver Medal - 91 pts - International Wine Challenge 2020

15,5 pts - Jancis Robinson 2020



FINE WINE AMBASSADOR

J.M. CAZES SÉLECTION



Lobster à l'Armoricaine,  
Guinea fowl with paprika,  
Provence-style sea bream

