

2016 ALAIN JAUME Rasteau 'Les Valats' France – Rhône Valley – Rasteau AOC

ABOUT VIGNOBLES ALAIN JAUME / DOMAINE GRAND VENEUR

Located in the Orange commune of Châteauneuf-du-Pape, the Jaume family has been dedicated to the art of wine growing since 1826. Since 1979, the domaine has been run by 5th generation Alain Jaume, who is now helped by his children Christophe, Sébastien, and Hélène. The 225-acre estate covers several AOCs and 13 grape types, and produces wine under four labels: Grand Veneur, Alain Jaume, Domaine du Clos de Sixte & Château Mazane. The Grand Veneur and Clos de Sixte vineyards are certified organic.

ABOUT THE WINE

Located atop a high hill in the Haut-Vaucluse, Rasteau earned AOC status in 2010, with the 2009 vintage. The soils are composed of limestone and rock, with over ¾ of the vineyards on slopes. The Mediterranean climate produces concentrated and well-balanced grapes. Wines must contain at least 50% Grenache, and minimum 20% Syrah + Mourvèdre. Rasteau is also known for its Vin Doux wines.

"Notes of wet sandstone, crushed earth and olive lend elegant restraint to crisp black cherry and blackberry here. A blend of 90% Grenache and 10% Syrah, this concentrated wine is marked by savory tones of dried mint and sage. Fine but firm tannins and a mineral freshness accent the finish. It's ready now but should improve through 2030. - ANNA LEE C. IIJIMA" - Wine Enthusiast

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Vintage	2016
Appellation	Rasteau AOC
Varietal(s)	80% Grenache, 10% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre
Vinification	Fermentation and aging in concrete vats. Bottling after 12-14 months.
Soil	Limestone & rock
ABV	14.5%
Size	12/750ml
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