2017 ALAIN JAUME Ventoux Les Gélinottes

France - Rhône Valley - Ventoux 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

Ventoux, located on the eastern side of Rhone Valley, is best known for its namesake mountain, Mont Ventoux. Here the hilly vineyards are planted primarily on sandy and clay soils. The mountainous area offers high altitude for ripe fruit, but also gives protection from the Mistral (strong wind) in the area. The area's 5,774 hectares extend over 51 communes.

"Les Gelinottes" offers an intense purple-tinged garnet color and an array of aromas that go from fresh berries to black fruits (blackcurrant, blackberry). The palate is full-flavored with soft tannins. This is a gorgeous style of wine; fruit-driven and food-friendly — pizza, pasta, burgers, mild cheeses.



