

2017 CASTELMAURE Grande Cuvée Corbières

France – Languedoc-Roussillon – Corbières

ABOUT SCV CASTELMAURE

S.C.V. Castelmaure is a cave cooperative, founded in the 1920's, located in the unofficial Corbières cru site of Durban. The Serre mountain in the south protects the little plateau of Castelmaure from the off-weather patterns of the Mediterranean Sea.

The 65-member co-op farms 400 hectares (988 acres) around the tiny hamlet of Embres et Castelmaure. Antoine Robert is the head winemaker. He is assisted in winemaking by Fabrice Santini.

Castelmaure produces 90% red wine, 80% of which is A.O.C. Corbières. The AOC was created in 1985 and measures 13,034 hectares (32,324 acres). The appellation requires a minimum of two grapes in a wine blend, a maximum yield of 50 hl/ha, and minimum planting density of 4,000 vines per hectare.

ABOUT THE WINE

Deep and intense color, powerful aromas of dark berry fruit, prune and coffee nuances, and a persistent finish.

RATINGS

91 pts DECANTER

Vintage	2017
Appellation	Corbieres
Varietal(s)	50% Grenache and 50% Syrah
Vinification	Destemming, pneumatic press, end of fermentation at 25 degrees C; racked twice and aged first in tank and the 10 to 12 months in 220-liter Bordeaux barrels. Egg fining and slight filtration.
Soil Type	schist, limestone
Agricultural Practices	sustainable
Size	6/750ml
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