



# Terroir Daronton, AOC Côtes du Rhône Villages Plan de Dieu, Rouge, 2023

AOC Côtes du Rhône Villages Plan de Dieu, Vallée du Rhône, France



## PRESENTATION

"Originating from 13 names... those of the thirteen founders who came together and gathered a team of expert winemakers to create a trusted signature for Rhone Valley wines. As a tribute to their work, the name DARONTON was born from a blend of parts of their names."

## THE VINTAGE

2023 was a year full of contrasts: warm temperatures at the end of December and beginning of January raised concerns about early budding; a return to normalcy continued until February with relatively cool weather; a persistent drought accompanied by a strong Mistral wind, followed by regular rainfall until the end of June. Thanks to constant vigilance in the vineyards, the berries were healthy and well-ripened when harvest started, promising one of the finest vintages of the past decade.

## TERROIR

Grapes are grown in the "Plan de Dieu" (plain of God) since the Middle Age. Here, Grenache and Syrah grapes grow on limestone, round pebbles and alluvial soils.

## WINEMAKING

Grapes are harvested at optimum maturity, then destemmed and crushed. Traditional vinification at controlled temp. Maceration lasts around 20 days.

## VARIETALS

Grenache, Syrah

Contains sulphites.

## SERVING

14-16°C

## TASTING

Nos of red fruits, spices and "garrigue". Round and large, with elegant tannins as well as spicy flavours and a beautiful liquorice final.

## FOOD PAIRINGS

Beef stew, grilled lamb and creamy cheeses.



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