



Terroir Daronton, Côtes du Rhône Villages Visan, Blanc, 2023

AOC Côtes du Rhône Villages Visan, 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

The vineyard, located on southwest-facing slopes, is around thirty years old and grows at altitudes ranging from 250 to 300 meters. The soils are predominantly clay-limestone with micro-zones of sandy textures.

The Mediterranean climate brings hot, dry summers, but due to its northern position, the vineyard is also heavily influenced by a continental climate with the Mistral wind playing a major role. Winters are therefore colder than in the southern part of the region, contributing to excellent vineyard health.

The vines are trained in both gobelet and double cordon de Royat systems, with a planting density of 4,000 to 4,500 vines per hectare and an average yield of 35 hl/ha.

WINEMAKING

Traditional by direct pressing. Control of the vinification temperature between 14 ° and 17 ° C.

VARIETALS

Viognier, Grenache blanc, Roussanne

Contains sulphites.

TASTING

Bright pale yellow color with green reflections. Nose: white flesh fruits and citrus with a floral touch. On the palate, nice freshness and minerality. Long and balanced.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Serve chilled as an aperitif, or with shellfish, grilled fish, white meats in sauce, or more surprisingly, a goat cheese with character.



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