





# Nos Villages by Rhonéa - Le Clocher, Côtes du Rhône Villages Visan, White, 2023

AOC Côtes du Rhône Villages Visan, Vallée du Rhône, France

From Avignon to the 'Drôme Provençale' area, the Southern Rhône Valley shelters some of the most beautiful villages in France. Each has its own personality, its history, its 'terroir' and no one can replace the other: Visan, Séguret, Vaison-la Romaine ... all these names sound like an invitation to travel & discover real jewels.

#### **PRESENTATION**

Visan is a charming typical Provençal villagewith a rich history going back to the Roman era. From the surrounding hills to the plain, the vineyard draws its character from stony soils combined with marls and sands.

### 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**

Ground predominantly clay-limestone with sandy zones on hillsides facing South-West.

## WINEMAKING

Traditional vinification by direct pressing. Control of the vinification temperature between  $14^{\circ}$  and  $17^{\circ}$ C.

# **VARIETALS**

Viognier, Grenache, Roussanne

Contains sulphites.

## **SERVING**

10-12°C

#### **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 over shellfish, grilled fish, white meats in sauce, or more surprisingly, a goat cheese with character.



