

Côtes du Rhône, Réserve de Fleur 2019

Réserve de Fleur is Delibo's own Côtes du Rhône. We blend the wine annually with oenologist Denis Deschamps to make a modern style, unoaked wine that reflects its origins in the hot southern Rhône Valley in France. It has a screwcap, still quite unusual in this region.

Producer Les Vignerons d'Estézargues is a small, high quality co-operative founded in 1965 in the Gard département, 20 kilometres west of Avignon. There are 25 members, of which 50% are organically certified. 500 hectares in total, 98% of which owned by 10 members. 65-150 metres above sea level. Vines are 20 - 80+ years old.

Composition 60% Syrah, 40% Grenache

Tasting notes This Côtes du Rhône has a clear, intense red colour and aromas of black and red currant. The wine is youthful and fresh in the mouth, with flavours of pepper and liquorice. Consume within one year of purchase.

Food Mediterranean sausages, pasta or cheese fondue.

Technical data Low temperature spontaneous fermentation (no cultured yeasts), around 15 days followed by light pressing, which gives the wine fruitiness and elegance. No sulphur is used on the grapes or in the fermentation, no acidification, no sugar addition. Natural malolactic fermentation. No fining, one racking only and very 'small' filtration when bottling early, to preserve character, texture and flavour. Volume: 750 ml. Closure: screwcap. Residual sugar 2.0g/l, 14.0% alc. Suitable for vegans and vegetarians.

Press **Matthew Jukes, Daily Mail Magazine, 29/11/14**

"Yet another magnificent and incredibly good value wine, this is made from a terrific, black fruit-stuffed blend of Syrah and Grenache. It really does put entry-level Châteauneuf-du-Pape (costing £15) to shame." [2013 vintage]

Jane MacQuitty, The Times, 14/02/15

"Chunky 14 per cent, Syrah, Grenache and Carignan-based red Rhône, whose bold, inky, damson and raspberry fruit is just the ticket with stew or venison steak." [2013 vintage]

Decanter Magazine, July 2016

'50 top Rhône reds £8 - £18' 89/100 [2014 vintage]

