

DOMAINE DE BEAURENARD *Châteauneuf-du-Pape 2018*

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Darkly coloured, deeply fruited - a promising start. Dense, concentrated and fairly tannic but with good freshness and great vibrancy of fruit. This has all it needs to age; it promises to be longer lived than most 2018s. The alcohol is the only thing holding it back from very long ageing - will poke out in time. A very good, classic, fresh clean style, not overly polished, but it has more energy than most in this vintage. Biodynamically-grown Grenache (66%), Syrah (15%) and Mourvèdre (10%), the rest being made up of Clairette Rose, Cinsault, Grenache Gris, Terret Noir, Picardan, Picpoul Blanc, Muscardin. Bourboulenc. Picpoul Noir. Vaccarèse. Roussanne, Picpoul Gris, Counoise and Clairette! They are grown on soils that are roughly one third each galets roulés, sand and chalk, and vinified mostly in stainless steel and tronconic wooden vats, then aged in oak barrels of various sizes and ages, including 5% new oak.

- Matt Walls, February 2021

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