



Domaine du Petit Romain Costières de Nîmes Rouge SOUTHERN RHÔNE (FRANCE)

Petit Romain is a family-based vineyard within the Costières de Nîmes region at the base of the Rhone Valley in southern France. The owner, Bernard Angelras, named this estate of 67ha after his son, Romain. 35ha are planted with AOC vines. It is on the edge of the ancient town of Nîmes. Terra Vitis certified.

Grapes: 90% Syrah and 10% Grenache

Viticulture: The grapes are harvested when perfectly ripe then destemmed. Maceration lasts 18-20 days with perfect temperature control and careful extraction of the aromatic and polyphenolic elements (pumping-over and delestage).

Alcohol: 13.5% vol.

Tasting Notes

Appearance: Deep purple with ruby red tones.

Nose: Raspberry and black currant, cinnamon and spice

Palate: Jammy strawberry, blackberry, blue berries, vanilla, pepper, cloves with youthful tannins.

Pairing: Steak, meat casseroles and ripe cheeses.



Southern Rhône Wine Region of France

Climate: Southern Rhône has a Mediterranean climate characterized by hot summers and mild winters. *Le Mistral* is also present in this region, helping cool the vines (allowing grapes to retain acidity) and preventing rot.

The Rhône Valley takes its name from the Rhône River which runs South through the region (beginning in the Swiss Alps). The Southern Rhône varies much differently in climate and flavor profile from the Northern Rhône.

The most famous wine appellations from Southern Rhône are: Beaumes-de-Venise, Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Côtes-du-Rhône, **Costières de Nîmes**, Côtes-du-Rhône-Villages, Gigondas, and Vacqueyras.

The leading red grape varietal in Southern Rhône is Grenache, but most southern Rhône wines are blends of several varieties of grape including syrah, cinsaut, mourvèdre, and carignan.