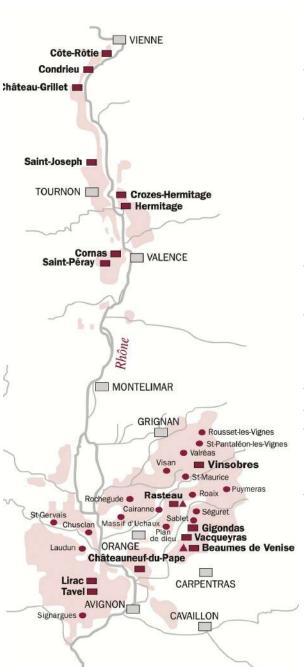


# 2022 RHÔNE



Following a cooler vintage in 2021, 2022 saw a return to the spectacularly intense, concentrated wines which have become the standard in the Rhône in recent years. After a relatively wet winter and moderate spring, temperatures soared in May and what followed was one of the warmest and driest Consistent temperatures summers on record. enabled successful flowering and sunny conditions throughout the remainder of the summer allowed for a relatively stress-free growing season. The warm days and cool nights enabled the grapes to reach optimal ripeness with ease whilst also retaining excellent levels of acidity. Rain in early June and again in mid August gave the vines just enough water to survive the generally arid conditions of July and August. Harvest began promptly to ensure excellent retention of freshness and, whilst yields were low, concentration levels were excitingly high.

In the cellar, diligence was required to avoid over extraction, however, such was the health and intensity of the crop that vinification was generally without issue.

The resulting wines are magnificent. The whites are wonderfully rich, ripe and honeyed, whilst retaining fine levels of acidity to bring freshness and vitality. The reds are amongst the most concentrated, intense and seductive I have tried, with exceptionally fine, ripe tannins, sumptuous textures and wonderful accompanying freshness.

With prices in Bordeaux and Burgundy continuing their upward trajectories, the wines of the Rhône have never looked so attractive and I strongly believe the 2022s have a place in every cellar.

Charles Taylor M.W.

### DOMAINE YANN CHAVE

Yann Chave has been joined by his son Gauthier and daughter Daphné on this superb 20 hectare estate, which includes a 1.15 hectare plot on the hill of Hermitage.

The vines have long been farmed organically. The hot, dry summer has resulted in low yields (32 hl/ha) and the grapes were harvested relatively early, from the 3rd to the 12th of September. The black grapes are 100% destemmed and then fermented and macerated for 20-25 days in stainless steel vats, followed by ageing for 9-12 months in either stainless steel vats or 650 litre oak casks from tonnelleries Taransaud and Seguin-Moreau.



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6x75cl 13.5

% £ per bottle £ per case
CASE SIZE abv DP Inc VAT IN BOND
6x75cl 14 24.00 104.00

In order to achieve the fine balance for which the wine is known, Yann carefully selects vines planted in both the northern and southern halves of the appellation. Vinified entirely in stainless steel to preserve the maximum of freshness, the resulting wine has a wonderfully complex mix of red and black fruits and spice. A generous texture, ripe tannins and excellent vitality mean this will be approachable relatively young, but will also age gracefully. Drink 2025-2030.

#### 2022 Crozes-Hermitage 'Le Rouvre'

2022 Crozes-Hermitage

Red

Produced from Yann's finest vineyard in Crozes - a single 2 hectare plot of vines planted in 1959 at Chassis in the south of the appellation towards Pont de l'Isère. The soils here are unique in the appellation, containing a high proportion of galets (also found in Châteauneuf-du-Pape), which help to produce the ripest grapes in Crozes. Fermented in stainless steel vats and matured for 12 months in 1-3 year old barrels used in previous years for the Hermitage. The result is outstanding - a rich, dense, concentrated wine with attractive brambly fruit on the nose and a wonderfully complex palate. As good as many wines in its more famous neighbouring appellation but at a fraction of the price. Drink 2027-2034.

**2022 Hermitage** 6x75cl 13.5 99.00 479.00

The most impressive wine in the cellar, vinified in 100% new 650 litre demi-muids. This year Yann used five barrels from Tonnellerie Taransaud and one from Seguin Moreau - a ratio he believes to be an appropriate match to the warmth of the vintage. The domaine's vines are situated on the cooler side of the hill in the lieux-dits of Beaume and Péléat, a factor which was crucial in retaining enough freshness to balance the depth and swagger of the wine. Dark and subdued at present but with obvious power lurking; silky tannins, a dense, close-knit texture and an impressive, peppery finish indicate a sublime future. Drink 2029-2038.

# STÉPHANE OGIFR

From an impressive, modern winery just to the south of the town of Ampuis, Stéphane Ogier has cemented his place as one of the most dynamic producers in Côte Rôtie. With 24 stainless steel vats of varying sizes, each tailored to a specific plot and thus allowing him to vinify them separately, there are few others that operate with the same meticulous level of detail with which Stéphane approaches winemaking.

In addition to his spectacular array of Côte Rôties, Stéphane also owns vineyards in the neighbouring appellations of Condrieu and Saint Joseph. His reach also extends 100 km further south where he crafts the delicious Côtes du Rhône Le Temps est Venu from a brand new winery in Rasteau.

In 2022, the harvest took place from the 1st to the 3rd week of September with an average yield of 35 hl/ha in Côte Rôtie and has given an impressive range of rich, succulent full-bodied wines.



White CASE SIZE abv DP Inc VAT IN BOND

2022 Condrieu 'La Combe de Malleval' 6x75cl 13 51.00 239.00

From a parcel of viognier planted in 1948 in the lieu-dit of La Combe in Saint Pierre de Boeuf. Whole bunch pressing for the cleanest juice, which is then vinified in a single 1700 litre oak foudre together with a number of 600 litre demi-muids from the Austrian barrel-maker, Stockinger, and aged on the fine lees for nine months. Rich and aromatic with fine, apricot fruit, a rich generous texture and a long fresh finish. Drink 2024-2028.

Red

#### 2022 Côtes du Rhône 'Le Temps est Venu' rouge

6x75cl 14 16.00 64.00

60% Grenache, 40% Syrah. Stéphane has recently purchased a new winery in Rasteau to vinify his grapes, primarily sourced from vineyards split between Visan, Plan de Dieu and Cairanne. Fermented and aged in stainless steel and concrete tanks, this has a highly aromatic nose - fresh blackcurrant and red cherries complement a vivid, vibrant palate, with silky tannins and a delightful freshness. A touch of spice on the finish rounds off this terrific example of a Côtes du Rhône. Drink 2024-2028.

**2022 Syrah 'La Rosine'** 6x75cl 14 27.00 119.00

Produced from vines in south and east facing vineyards situated just over the hill from the lieu-dit Les Bercheries in the Côte Blonde of Côte Rôtie, which Stéphane's father Michel planted in the 1980s. Fully destemmed and matured for 14 months in 225 litre barriques, this is a fine, well-structured syrah with masses of dense dark fruit, a generous texture and a touch of sweet spice on the finish. Drink 2026-2032.

#### **2022 Côte Rôtie 'Mon Village'** 6x75cl 14.5 POA POA

From a handful of lieux-dits scattered across the Côtes Brune and Blonde, Stéphane selects plots for their freshness and purity of fruit. The majority of bunches are destemmed. This is a wonderfully elegant expression of Côte Rôtie with aromatic, brambly fruit and black pepper on the nose and a smooth, silky texture with velvety tannins and impressive depth on the finish. Drink 2028-2036.

### DOMAINE DU TUNNEL

Stéphane and Sandrine Robert own one of the finest and most beautiful estates in the Northern Rhône. With 12 hectares stretching across the appellations of Cornas, Saint Joseph and Saint Péray, they produce a delightfully refined range of wines with beguiling depth and finesse.

The winery sits in a disused railway tunnel in the steep, granite hills above Saint Péray, which, besides giving the domaine its name, provides the perfect environment for vinification and élèvage, the ambient temperature never rising above 15C even in the height of summer.

The 2022 harvest began on the 21st August with the whites. The reds were completed on the 12th September, the warm, dry summer resulting in low yields of dense concentrated wines.



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White CASE SIZE abv £ per bottle £ per case case case abv DP Inc VAT IN BOND 2022 Saint Péray 'Cuvée Roussanne' 6x75cl 14 38.00 174.00

100% Roussanne. Stéphane is one of the few Saint Péray producers to grow a high proportion of the more capricious Roussanne grape variety. The majority of these vines are at a high altitude (280m) giving a beautiful, crisp, aromatic wine. Fermented using only natural yeasts, 40% in 1000 litre oak vats and 60% in four and five year old barrels. The 2022 is rich and aromatic with ripe, peach fruit allied to a dense, close knit texture and a long, crisp finish. Drink 2024-2027.

#### 2022 Saint Péray 'Cuvée Prestige'

80% Marsanne & 20% Roussanne. This superb cuvée comes from three plots of granite and clay soils on the lower slopes of the appellation in the direction of Cornas. The marsanne vines are over 100 years old and the roussanne at least 60. Vinified and aged for nine months in four year old barrels. Rich and concentrated with beautiful, pure fruit and lovely bite and minerality. Drink 2024-2028.

Red

**2022 Saint Joseph** 6x75cl 13 41.00 189.00

The domaine owns nearly 3 hectares of vines in the villages of Mauves, Tournon and Glun, all in the south of the appellation. 70% of the bunches were destemmed with 30% left whole. Fermentation is in stainless steel vats followed by 12 months ageing in 3-5 year old French oak barrels. The 2022 is a triumph - wonderfully aromatic, brambly fruit on the nose accompanies a rich and generous palate with a lovely freshness on the finish. The tannins are of such high quality that this will be approachable young, however, it will be magnificent if allowed a few years in bottle. Drink 2026-2034.

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Stéphane blends 15 different parcels of vines from various plots throughout the appellation to create this intense, concentrated Cornas. Fermented with 30% whole bunches and aged for 12 months in 1-5 year old barrels, this has masses of pure, brambly fruit on the nose and sweet, concentrated blackcurrant on the palate. A rich, generous wine with firm but ripe tannins and wonderful length on the finish. Drink 2028-2036.

**2022 Cornas 'Vin Noir'** 6x75cl 13.5 71.00 339.00

Produced from the oldest vines in three of the appellation's best-known lieux-dits: Les Egyats, Les Combes and Champelrose. At over 100 years old, the vines are producing wines of great complexity and intensity, enhanced by the retention of 30% of the stems and 12 months maturation in 1-3 year old barrels. Dark and brooding at present with sublime depth and concentration. A close-knit texture, ripe, elegant tannins and wonderful spice on the finish point to a glorious future. Drink 2030-2038.

### DOMAINE DES AMPHORES

Situated in the hills above the town of Chavenay in the northern half of Saint Joseph, this charming 10 hectare estate has been run by Philippe & Véronique Grenier since 1994.

The domaine has been fullly biodynamic since 2016 and vinifcation is traditional, with grapes hand-harvested and fermentation carried out by indigenous yeasts.

In 2022, harvest began in warm conditions on the 7th September and the resulting fruit is wonderfully ripe and generous.



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 2022 Saint Joseph 'Les 7 Lieux'
 6x75cl
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Produced from seven parcels of south, south east and south west facing vines on granitic slopes above the town of Chavanay. Aged in a mixture of 600 litre demi-muids, 1200 litre foudres and stainless steel vats, this is a delightful, fruit forward Saint Joseph with bright red cherry and blackberry fruit on the nose and excellent freshness on the palate. With a round, fleshy texture, supple tannins and generous fruit, this is already delicious but has the depth and concentration to age gracefully. Drink 2025-2030.

# DOMAINE PIERRE & JÉRÔME COURSODON

Jérôme Coursodon is the fifth generation to run this fine 16 hectare estate where he makes exceptional Saint Joseph from vines surrounding the town of Mauves.

Jérôme's approach has been to lower the yields and use a higher proportion of 600 litre oak barrels in ageing; a philosophy from which he is now reaping the rewards as the wines are as concentrated as they have ever been.

Harvesting began on the 26th August with the whites and finished with the reds on the 15th September. The 2022 vintage is a resounding success producing rich, aromatic whites and full-bodied, concentrated reds.



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White CASE SIZE abv £ per bottle £ per case case abv DP Inc VAT IN BOND 2022 Roussanne-Viognier 'Etincelle' 6x75cl 13 23.00 99.00

80% Roussanne, 20% Viognier. A marvellous Vin de France, grown on late-ripening west-facing slopes at high altitude whose vines come from the town of Mauves. After fermentation, this spends 6 months in a mixture of French oak barriques and stainless steel vats and the resulting wine is delightfully aromatic with lovely, pure fruit and excellent freshness on the finish. Drink 2024-2026.

#### 2022 Saint Joseph 'Silice' blanc

100% Marsanne. From a selection of old Marsanne vines planted on well situated south east facing plots with a mixture of clay and granitic soils. Aged entirely in stainless steel vats to preserve the maximum of fruit and freshness, this is a wonderfully succulent wine with ripe, honeyed fruit, a generous texture and a lovely mineral bite on the finish. Drink 2024-2026.

#### 2022 Saint Joseph 'Le Paradis Saint Pierre' blanc

90% Marsanne & 10% Roussanne. Produced from two plots of old, low-yielding (30 hl/ha) Marsanne and Roussanne vines planted on granitic soils in the south of the appellation. Matured for 12 months in 228 litre pièces from Burgundian tonnelleries Chassin, Damy and, for the first time this year, Atelier Centre France, this has a distinctly Burgundian feel about it with generous, peachy fruit, excellent minerality and a long, fresh finish. One of the vintage's very best white wines. Drink 2024-2027.

#### Red

### 2022 Saint Joseph 'Silice' rouge

Produced from vines planted on steep, granitic hillsides around the villages of Mauves, Tournon and Saint Jean de Muzols, 10% of the stems are retained during fermentation to maximise the freshness and vitality of fruit. The wine is then aged for 12 months in a mixture of 225 litre barriques and 600 litre demi-muids from tonnelleries Chassin, Taransaud and Atelier Centre France. A wonderful, open textured wine with ripe cherries and plums on the palate and a touch of pepper on the finish. Drink 2026-2032.

6x75cl

6x75cl

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Red CASE SIZE abv DP Inc VAT IN BOND

2022 Saint Joseph 'L'Olivaie' 6x75cl 13.5 45.00 209.00

From two south and east facing plots of 60+ year-old vines in the hills surrounding Saint Jean de Muzols, where cool air from the Doux valley helps the vines retain freshness throughout the growing season. 80% destemmed, maturation is split equally between 225 litre barriques and larger demi-muids, 20% of which are new; this has masses of spicy, brambly fruit on the nose and a generous, fleshy texture on the palate. Fine, supple tannins, excellent freshness and long, powerful finish. Drink 2027-2034.

#### 2022 Saint Joseph 'La Sensonne'

6x75cl 13.5 50.00 234.00

A selection of the oldest vines from the domaine's most prestigious plots including the vineyards of L'Olivaie and Le Paradis. Aged for 12 months in small oak barrels from tonnelleries Chassin, Taransaud and Atelier Centre France, all of which are new. Dark, luxurious, black fruits and spicy oak on the nose accompany a full-bodied, concentrated palate with a close-knit texture and a refreshing finish. Drink 2028-2035.

#### 2022 Saint Joseph 'Le Paradis Saint Pierre' rouge

6x75cl 13.5 62.00 294.00

Produced from 80 year-old vines in the steep, terraced lieux-dits of 'Le Paradis' and 'Saint Joseph' in the village of Mauves, just a few hundred metres from the Coursodon cellar. Fermented with 50% whole bunches and matured for 12 months in barrel, 10% new, this has masses of pure, vivid, plummy fruit with warming spice and pepper on the nose. The palate is dense, backward and powerful with a magnificent close-knit texture and carefully extracted tannins. A long, harmonious, spicy finish points to a sublime future. Drink 2028-2036.



# SOUTHERN RHÔNE

# DOMAINE LA BOUÏSSIÈRE

Brothers Thierry and Gilles Faravel have co-managed Domaine La Bouïssière since 1990 with their sister, Josiane joining them in 2014. The majority of their vines lie on the famous Dentelles de Montmirail arête, making them some of the highest in Gigondas and giving wines with a freshness and elegance rarely found in the southern Rhône. After hand-harvesting, the bunches are then only partially destemmed and gently crushed, before fermentation in concrete or stainless steel vats using indigenous yeasts. Ageing takes place in a range of small oak barrels, 600 litre demi-muids, larger oak foudres and two, recently introduced 17hl egg-shaped, cement vats. The warm, dry summer in 2022 restricted yields to a relatively low 30hl/ha, resulting in sublimely concentrated wines.



Red	CASE SIZE	abv	DP Inc VAT	t per case
2022 Les Amis de la Bouïssière	6x75cl	14.5	15.00	59.00
40% Syrah, 40% Merlot, 20% Caladoc. This delightful blend, which non-traditional varieties, comes principally from vines grown near the rive destemmed, the varieties are fermented together and then aged for stainless steel vats. Vibrant redcurrant and black cherries complement palate, elegant tannins and delicate spice on the finish. Drink 2024-2028.	er Ouvèze. or 9 mont	90% hs in		
2022 Beaumes de Venise	6x75cl	15	21.00	85.75
0% Grenache, 10% Syrah. Vinified with 50% whole bunches and principally aged in rement vats to retain freshness and maximise the purity of fruit. Attractive red fruits with erbs and spices on the nose match a generous, open palate with smooth, ripe tannins and a round, satisfying finish. Drink 2025-2030.				
2022 Vacqueyras	6x75cl	14.5	24.00	104.00
45% Grenache, 41% Syrah, 14% Mourvèdre. From three parcels of vines on the Plateau des Garrigues in the north of the appellation. The warm summer resulted in a higher percentage of Syrah in the blend this year and the outcome is a wine with more muscle and vitality. 20% matured in cement eggs and the remainder in a mix of oak demi-muids and foudres. Pure, dark fruits on the nose, a generous texture and impressive power, depth and spice on the finish. Drink 2026-2031.				
2022 Gigondas	6x75cl	15	27.00	115.75
72% Grenache, 26% Syrah, 2% Mourvèdre. The Faravels own nine hectares of old vines (58 years old on average) in the appellation, the majority of which are high up in the Dentelles de Montmirail at altitudes in excess of 350m. Vinified with 65% whole bunches and aged in a mixture of oak foudres and cement eggs. Wonderful elegance and depth on the nose - fresh blackcurrant with a delightful mix of herbs and spices. Opulent black fruits on the palate are allied to a delightful close-knit texture, lovely freshness and a very long, concentrated finish. Drink 2027-2032.				
2022 Gigondas 'Font de Tonin'	6x75cl	15.5	38.00	170.00
65% Grenache, 35% Mourvèdre. A magnificent wine produced from old vine grenache and mourvèdre planted in 1959 & 1963 on two terraces high up in the Dentelles de				

Montmirail. 100% whole bunches and aged in small, 225 litre oak barrels (15% new) from tonnelleries Chassin, Rousseau and Taransaud. Rich and generous with a touch of spicy oak, a sweet, succulent texture, and an impressive, long aftertaste. Drink 2028-2034.

# SOUTHERN RHÔNE

### DOMAINE LAFOND ROC-EPINE

This fine domaine has been in the Lafond family since 1780 and is now in the capable hands of brothers Jean-Baptiste and François under the watchful eye of their father Pascal.

All of the estate's 102 hectares of vineyards are farmed organically. The fruit in Lirac and Châteauneuf-du-Pape is harvested by hand, the bunches destemmed and the wine aged for up to 18 months in both stainless steel and cement vats together with oak barrels ranging in size from 225 litres to 600 litres.

The 2022 harvest began with the Tavel Rosé on the 22nd August, the whites following on the 25th and the reds from the 1st to the 19th September.



White CASE SIZE abv DP Inc VAT IN BOND

2022 Lirac blanc 6x75cl 14 16.00 64.00

50% Grenache blanc, 30% Roussanne, 20% Viognier. After a warm, dry summer, the 2022 white Lirac was harvested at the end of August in order to retain excellent freshness and acidity. The Viognier was fermented in new oak barrels whilst the Grenache blanc and Roussanne were vinified in stainless steel vats. The result is a wonderfully vibrant, aromatic wine with delicious, apricot fruit, a succulent texture and a crisp saline finish. Drink 2024-2025.

#### Rosé

**2022 Tayel Rosé** 6x75cl 14 16.00 64.00

60% Grenache, 20% Syrah, 20% Cinsault. Given 12-24 hours maceration on the skins to give extra flavour and personality, this is strikingly fruity with fine aromas of red cherry and a touch of blackberry on the palate. A ripe, flavoursome rosé that is perfect as an aperitif but has the richness to partner characterful and spicy dishes. Drink 2024-2025.

#### Red

**2022 Côtes du Rhône** 6x75cl 13.5 13.00 49.00

67% Grenache, 33% Syrah. Half of this superb Côtes du Rhône is made up from the domaine's younger vines within the Lirac appellation, a successful policy which has the advantage of enhancing the quality of both wines. Vinified entirely in stainless steel, this has lovely, rich red and black fruits on the palate, a generous texture and sufficient tannins to allow for graceful ageing. Drink 2024-2027.

**2022 Lirac rouge** 6x75cl 14.5 17.00 69.00

70% Grenache, 30% Syrah. With a near identical soil structure and climate to Châteauneuf-du-Pape just across the river, Lirac is one of the great undervalued appellations of the Rhône. The wines have the same power, structure and concentration as its more famous neighbour but are significantly cheaper. Partly matured in small oak barrels from Seguin-Moreau and partly in stainless steel, this is plump and generous with ripe, black fruits and a lovely, warming spice on the finish. Drink 2025-2029.

# SOUTHERN RHÔNE

Red CASE SIZE % £ per bottle £ per case

#### 2022 Lirac 'La Ferme Romaine'

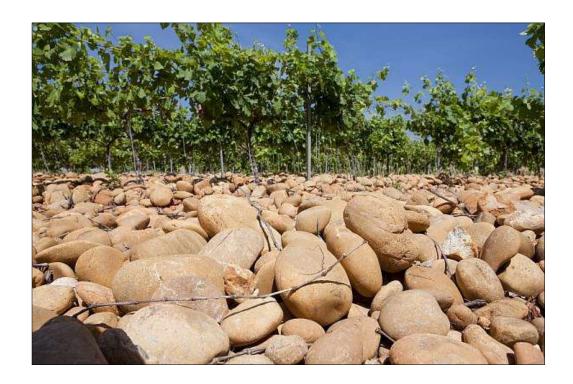
6x75cl 14.5 21.00 89.00

70% Grenache, 25% Syrah, 5% Mourvèdre. A single parcel of 80+ year old Grenache vines planted on galets roulés provides the backbone of this magnificent Lirac alongside the estate's finest plots of Syrah and Mourvèdre. The Syrah and Mourvèdre spend 12 months in barrel, a third of which are new, whilst the Grenache is vinified entirely in stainless steel to preserve the maximum of fruit. A powerful, backward wine with masses of red and black fruits, firm but ripe tannins and a long, spicy finish. Needs time but will age gloriously. Drink 2026-2032.

#### 2022 Châteauneuf-du-Pape

6x75cl 14.5 33.00 149.00

80% Grenache, 10% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre. From three separate plots in this famous appellation; Pradel with large galets above a limestone subsoil, L'Etang with an intricate mixture of small galets, sand and clay and the distinctive gravelly soils of Les Grands Serres. The Grenache is aged in a mixture of oak demi-muids and cement vats whilst the Syrah and Mourvèdre are matured in a combination of barriques and demi-muids. The result is a rich, gutsy wine with a complex mix of spicy red and black fruits, a round, sumptuous texture and magnificent power on the finish. Drink 2027-2035.



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