



# DOMAINE LA BOUTINIÈRE

## TRADITION ROUGE 2020

### CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE

#### BACKGROUND

Domaine La Boutinière was founded in 1920 by Félix Vidal. This family-owned company is now run by fourth-generation winemaker, Frédéric Boutin, who has been the owner and winemaker since 1997. Domaine La Boutinière has 27 acres of vineyards in eight different parcels within Châteauneuf-du-Pape, including the Crus of La Crau, Le Boucou, Coste Froid, and Roumigièrre. Vines are an average of 70 years old and the wines are produced from all 13 grape varieties allowed in the Châteauneuf appellation.

#### APPELLATION

Rhône, France

#### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

70% Grenache, 10% Syrah, 10% Mourvedre, 10% Cinsault

#### TERROIR

The grapes come from several select plots: "Le Boucoup" with dark red soil on old alluvium with rolled pebbles (Galets roulés) and red clay subsoil, "Les Marines," "Le Bois de la Ville" and "Coste-Froide" which has red, stony alluvium soil over a red clay subsoil. The vines, which average 70 years old, grow at an elevation of 394 feet above sea-level.

#### WINEMAKING

Grapes are hand-harvested with sorting in the vineyard and in the cellar, 70% destemmed. The grapes varieties are vinified separately, in thermoregulated concrete tanks, with pumping-over and maceration for 25 to 30 days.

#### AGEING

The wine is aged for 12 months: 50% in wood vats, 30% in barrels and 20% in concrete vats.

#### TASTING NOTES

Notes of sage and licorice on the nose. A complex palate with red currant, crushed raspberry and berries. The tannins are smooth and the mid-palate offers a singular freshness. Provençal herbs linger on the finish along with nutmeg and ginger.

Excellent with roasted meats and stews, particularly lamb. Also pairs nicely with barbecue and dishes with spices such as garlic, rosemary and thyme.

#### WINEMAKER

Frédéric Boutin

#### TECHNICAL DATA

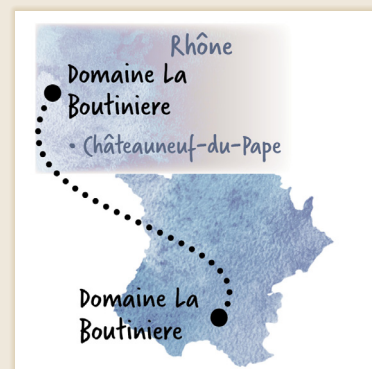
Alcohol  
14.5%

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