



JEAN-LUC COLOMBO

CAPE BLEUE ROSÉ 2019

BACKGROUND

Innovation, passion and dedication are what drives Jean-Luc and Anne Colombo, whose contributions to Rhône Valley winemaking is unparalleled. A devotee of the Syrah grape and armed with a pharmacy degree, Jean-Luc and his wife, Anne, opened their wine laboratory in 1984, "Centre Oenologique des Côtes du Rhône" and quickly developed a thriving reputation as a wine consultant throughout France. For their significant life-long contributions to their country, both Jean-Luc and Anne have been awarded the French Legion of Honor, France's highest civilian award. The Colombo's innovative approach in the northern appellation of Cornas was nothing short of revolutionary. Today, Jean-Luc Colombo's wines express the typicity of their terroir with elegance and character, from the Côte Rôtie in the northern Rhône to his Provençal roses.

APPELLATION

I.G.P. Méditerranée, France

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

67% Syrah, 33% Mourvèdre

TERRIOR AND VINTAGE NOTES

Cape Bleue Rosé comes from the stony, limestone (Calcaire) vineyards nestled in the hills above the bay of Marseille (the area next to Provence). The influence of the sea, sun and lake provides for hot days and cool nights – ideal for grape growing.

WINEMAKING

Traditional "saignée" method is used, undergoing a 10 hour cold soak until desired color achieved, then tanks are drained of all juice or must.

Fermentation occurred at low temperature in stainless steel vats for three weeks preserving primary aromas.

The 2019 vintage began with a hot and dry summer. Harvest started on August 23rd in Provence with fully mature, small-berried Syrah grapes. September brought needed rain allowing for the maturity of the Mourvèdre grapes.

TASTING NOTES

Pale, salmon pink color. This year's Rosé is very aromatic with aromas of red berries and citrus. An elegant, balanced mouthfeel is marked by firm acidity.

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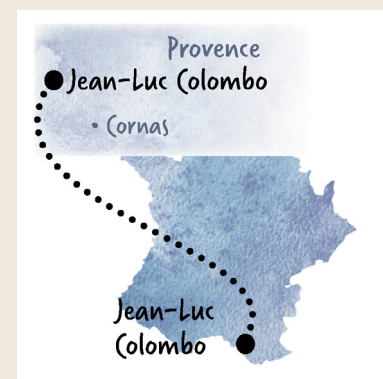
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TECHNICAL DATA

Acidity 3.63 g/L
pH: 3.49
RS: 1.1 g/L

Alcohol
12.5%



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