



JEAN-LUC COLOMBO

CONDRIEU "AMOUR DE DIEU" 2017

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

Condrieu AOC, France

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Viognier

WINEMAKING

Grapes from 40-year-old vines are hand-harvested and de-stemmed. Fermentation in stainless steel tanks.

AGEING

Aged sur lie in oak (15% new; 85% in one- to four-year old barrels) for ten months. Weekly stirring of lees followed by malolactic fermentation.

TASTING NOTES

Golden yellow color, characteristic of a great Condrieu. Complex nose of apricots, pear, acacia and soft spices accompanied by hints of vanilla. On the palate, rich, powerful, and aromatic with a long and elegant finish; intense flavors of lychee nut, peach and exotic fruit. Pairs well with fish dishes, poultry, grilled white meats, salads, grilled vegetables and a variety of appetizers.

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92 PTS JAMES SUCKLING 8/18

92 PTS VINOUS 5/20

90 PTS WINE SPECTATOR 11/18

WINEMAKER

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TECHNICAL DATA

Acidity
pH: 3.8
RS: <1 g/L

Alcohol
13.5%



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