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Domaine Pichat Background

Owner: Stephane Pichat

Country: France
Region: Cote Rotie
Founded: 2000

Annual Production: 1500cs

Description: Third-generation native Stephane Pichat is one of the young superstars of the northern Rhone. He has 10 acres of vineyards in Cote Rotie, spread across multiple parcels each of which is naturally farmed according to the specific needs of each terroir. Since starting his eponymous domaine in 2000 while in his mid 20s, Pichat has garnered extensive acclaim and his bottlings are now Cotie Rotie benchmarks.

Wine Notes – 2017 Domaine Pichat Syrah Collines Rhodaniennes

Poor man's Cote Rotie! Pichat declassifies the fruit from his youngest estate vines, bottling the wine as a humble Syrah IGP Collines Rhodannienes. However, unlike most similarly labelled products which are sourced from outlying and lesser Northern Rhone appellations, Pichat's Syrah is comprised entirely of juice from his core Cote Rotie holdings (the wine could be legally sold as Cote Rotie), particularly the Champon and Grandes Places lieux-dits.

Technical Specifications

Varietal Composition: 100% Syrah

Vineyard Region: Cotie Rotie, primarily Champon and Le Plomb lieux-dits

Vine Age / Yields: 20 years on average

Production Volume: 600cs

Vineyard Characteristics: Schist and sandy soils, south / south-west exposure **Wine-Making / Vinification:** Hand-harvested, destemmed, first juice cooled 12 hours

3 week fermentation in temperature controlled stainless steel with

malolactic fermentation in oak barrels, native yeasts

Aged in 400L French oak barrels 9 months

Alcohol / Volume: 13.5%
Residual Sugar: <2.0 g/L
pH: 3.62
Acidity: 4.72 g/L