



## **Background**

Winery: Chateau St. Nabor

Country: France

Region: Rhone Valley - Cornillon (Cotes du

Rhones)

Established: 1870

**Description:** Chateau St Nabor is a 150 year old estate located just northwest of Chateauneuf-du-Pape. Owned and operated by the sixth generation of the Castor family, this 162 hectare property is certified sustainable and quality-driven, boasting a host of critical accolades. All of St Nabor's wines use only estate-grown grapes and faithfully express the diverse terroirs of this Rhone Valley standout.

## Wine Notes - 2021 Chateau St. Nabor Cotes du Rhone Rose

Chateau St Nabor's Cotes du Rhone Rose is a bright and fresh wine made from a classic southern Rhone varietal blend of 65% Grenache, 15% Syrah, 10% Carignan and 10% Cinsault. Fully-destemmed grapes are sourced from sustainably-farmed estate plots of 35-to-40 year old vines. The grapes are crushed before being sent to the fiberglass maceration tanks. After an 8-10 hour cold soak on the skins, 10% of the juice is drained to tank to begin a 8-10 day temperature-controlled fermentation and aging in neutral fiberglass and concrete tanks (the remaining 90% goes to the estate's red wines). The result is a raspberry pink wine with an intense nose of ripe red fruits, a palate of berries and spice flavors balanced by an elegant acidity. This crowd favorite has been *awarded 90 points* in various vintages by leading wine critics.

## **Technical Specifications**

Varietal Composition: 65% Grenache, 15% Syrah, 10% Carignan and 10% Cinsault

**Vineyard Region:** Cotes du Rhone – west of Chateauneuf du Pape

**Production Volume:** 1,000 cases

**Vineyard Characteristics:** South-facing sand/clay soils with limestone/gravel inclusions

**Vine Age:** 35-to 40 years old

Wine-Making / Vinification: Certified sustainably-farmed estate-grown grapes, canopy

management. Minimal use of chemicals / pesticides (mostly

certified organic)

100% destemmed grapes, crushed prior to maceration for 8-10 hour cold soak and 8-to-10 day temp-controlled fermentation (select yeast) in fiberglass and concrete tanks. Finished wine

racked / cross-flow filtered.

Sulfites between 25 and 30 mg/l at bottling

 Alcohol / Volume:
 13.0%

 Residual Sugar:
 <1.5 g/L</td>

 Acidity:
 2.88 g/L