CHÂTEAU LA GENESTIÈRE CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE BLANC



Originally a silkworm farm in the 16th century, Château la Genestière became a winemaking estate in 1930. The 40-hectare domaine was acquired by Jean-Claude Garcin in 1944. Through years of perseverance and painstaking work, M. Garcin along with his son Raphaël improved the property and purchased nearby vineyards in the region. Christian Latouche, owner of two domaines in Les Baux-de-Provence, purchased the estate in 2015 and has since added several vineyard sites in the prestigious Châteauneuf-du-Pape appellation. With a dynamic new team in place, M. Latouche has made significant investments in the domaine to maintain the exceptional heritage of the estate started by the Garcins. Here, a small amount of Châteauneufdu-Pape Blanc is made, a full-flavored, elegant dry wine that rivals some of the finest French white wines.

Region:Southern Rhône ValleyAppellation:Châteauneuf-du-PapeOwner:Christian Latouche

Established: 1930

Farming Practices: Sustainable, in conversion to organic

Soil: Sandy, clay soil and gravel

Vineyard: 1 ha

Grape Varieties: Blend of appellation white grapes: Piquepoul, Grenache, Roussanne,

Picardan, Clairette, and Bourboulenc

Age of Vines:15 yearsYield/Hectare:25 hl/haAvg Production:8,000 bottles

Vinification and Élevage: Grapes are hand-harvested and sorted before being de-stemmed. Fermentation and aging of the Clairette and Bourboulenc takes place in older demi-muids. Fermentation of the other varieties takes place in concrete and aging in stainless-steel vats.

Tasting Notes: Light golden yellow with silver highlights. The nose offers tropical notes of ripe mango, delicate tangerine, and honey blossom. A fine and complex wine on the palate with juicy white tropical fruit, good freshness, and mineral undertones followed by an elegant and long-lasting finish. Enjoy with lighter poultry dishes such as chicken and turkey or with richer seafood dishes.

