

DOMAINE LA PERDRIÈRE

RASTEAU “LA PLANNE”



Domaine La Perdrière, formerly known as Domaine Chamfort, is run by the energetic and irrepressible vigneron, Vasco Perdigão. While Vasco is of Portuguese origin, he has fully integrated himself into the life of a vigneron in the southern Rhône as proprietor of the 16.5-hectare domaine in Sablet, at the northern edge of Gigondas appellation. Here he produces limited amounts of Côtes du Rhône, Sablet, Séguret, Rasteau and his main wine, Vacqueyras. The combination of old vines, low yields and excellent southeast exposure results in full-bodied wines of great warmth and generous character, yet still very approachable in the classic style of southern Rhône wines.

Region:	Southern Rhône
Appellation:	Rasteau
Owner:	Vasco Perdigão
Established:	2010
Farming Practices:	Sustainable; in conversion to organic viticulture
Soil:	Brown clay with large stones (galets)
Vineyard:	4 ha
Grape Varieties:	70% Grenache, 30% Syrah
Avg Age of Vines:	25 years
Yield/Hectare	35 hl/ha
Avg Production:	10,000

Vinification and Élevage: Vinification follows traditional principles of the Southern Rhône Valley. The grapes are crushed and de-stemmed. Grenache and Syrah are fermented separately with indigenous yeasts. Fermentation is at low temperatures, and lasts around 30 days. A light racking in early winter is done to remove the coarsest lees, then aging on fine lees for 12-18 months in large wooden vats and concrete.

Tasting Notes: The color is intense ruby red. A very fine, fresh and fruity nose with notes of red fruit (strawberry and cherry) that are also very persistent on the palate. The wine features a beautiful structure with fine, silky tannins. The attack is warm in length giving way to a lot of freshness and finesse. Domaine La Perdrière Rasteau is a powerful wine with character, which does not leave the drinker indifferent.

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