

ALAIN VOGÉ
RHÔNE RIVE DROITE
Saint-Joseph
APPELLATION CONTRÔLÉE
LES CÔTES



The Domain Alain Vogé has produced Saint-Joseph wines for ten years or so. From the 2015 vintage, our Saint-Joseph takes the name of the locality where it is grown: Les Côtes. This terroir has enormous potential and it is gradually revealing its expression as the vines mature. The average age of the vines in 2022 is 17 years old.

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The entire domain is cultivated using organic and biodynamic viticulture.

TERROIR

A very steep granite slope facing South in the "showcase slopes" of Mauves, to the South of the Saint-Joseph appellation.

2020 VINTAGE

Healthy and easy sanitary season for the vineyard. Not the same for the winemakers and vine growers that went through the sanitary measures of covid with a lot of availability... Furthermore, the main word of 2020 vintage was "early": budburst, flowering, ripening and harvest... started on August 20th for the first Marsannes of Saint-Péray, and finished on September 15 on the atop plots of Cornas. Well-balanced juices in Saint-Péray, without too much alcohol, after very dynamic fermentations of our natural yeasts. In Cornas, a well-balances vintage too, fruity but with ripe tannins, spicy sometimes and full-bodied, full of promises...

OUR VINE GROWING AND WINEMAKING

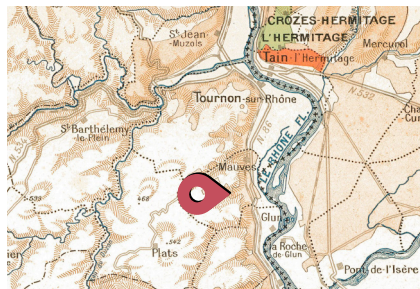
- Organic certification for the vines and wine from the 2016 vintage and biodynamic methods used.
- Syrah replanted from 1999; vines trained and pruned in the Gobelet style and supported by stakes.
- Hand-picked harvests.
- All of the harvest de-stemmed
- Fermentation with natural yeasts and maceration for three weeks in stainless steel vats, with pumping-over done twice a day and cap-punching depending of the phenolic maturity.
- Maturation in 400-litre barrels for 16 months, with no new barrels.
- Amount of sulphite reduced: 45 mg/l total SO₂ (100 mg/litre authorised in organic winemaking)
- Production: 3 670 bottles
- Ageing potential: 10 years



COMMENTS

2020 vintage: "Vogé's 2020 Saint Joseph Les Cotes - from a parcel in Mauves - came across as slightly exotic in the blind-tasting lineup, with hints of violets, licorice and stone fruit. Maturing in older barriques, it's medium to fullbodied and supple on the palate, with an attractive softness that lingers on the nish."

Joe Czerwinski, 20/01/2022 : **90-92/100**



APPELLATION SAINT-JOSEPH

100 % SYRAH

TERRITORY

The appellation: 1 200 ha.
This wine's plots: 1.1 ha.

POSITION

Locality named *Les Côtes*

AVAILABLE VINTAGE

2020