Domaine de Saje Châteauneuf-du-Pape



Châteauneuf-du-Pape rouge 2019

Lots of classic lavender, flowers, garrigue, and sandalwood notes all emerge from the 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape, and it's beautifully perfumed, medium to full-bodied, and weightless on the palate, with tons of charm and character.

93 pts, Jeb Dunnuck, November 2021

Châteauneuf-du-Pape Marquis Anselme Mathieu 2019

The 2019 Châteauneuf Du Pape Marquis Anselme Mathieu is slightly richer and denser, with terrific purity in its black cherry and dark berry fruits as well as peppery herbs and mineral notes. It's less charming and weightless on the palate at present, though, with good concentration and building tannins. It needs 3-4 years of bottle age to shine and will have 15-20 years of overall longevity.

92+ pts, Jeb Dunnuck, November 2021

Côtes-du-Rhône 2019

Jérôme Mathieu only began working on his own in the 2016 vintage, as previously he had worked alongside of his brother at the family's Domaine Mathieu in Châteauneuf du Pape. However, with his nephew coming of age to start working at the family domaine, Jérôme and his brother agreed to split up the family vineyards and Domaine de Saje was born from Jérôme's half of the vineyard patrimony. He has two hectares of vines in the Côtes-du-Rhône AOC, just outside of the borders of Châteauneuf, with the field blend roughly planted to two-thirds grenache and one-third syrah. The wine is fermented with indigenous yeasts and raised in cement vats, with the 2019 version coming in at fourteen percent octane. It offers up a superb bouquet of black raspberries, a touch of fruitcake, pepper, smoked meats, a good base of soil and a topnote of bonfire. On the palate the wine is bright, full-bodied, peppery and complex, with fine focus and balance, a lovely core and good soil undertow on the long, moderately tannic and quite serious finish. Not surprisingly, this has plenty of Châteauneuf du Pape character. This is outstanding and a stunning value! 2025-2045+.

91 pts- John Gilman, View from the Cellar, July-August 2021

