

Domaine de Saje

Châteauneuf-du-Pape



Châteauneuf-du-Pape rouge 2020

This domaine's 2020 Chateauneuf du Pape is on the pale side but with attractive scents of roses and cherries, plus a dose of piney herbs. Fullbodied, ripe and supple, charming and complex, with a long, herbal finish, it's 80% Grenache, 7% Syrah and 5% Mourvèdre, with small portions of a bunch of other varieties.

92 pts, Joe Czerwinski, The Wine Advocate, September 2023

The 2020 Châteauneuf du Pape also showed well, with good intensity and depth in its ripe raspberry and framboise-like fruit as well as a floral, sappy character. Medium-bodied, nicely balanced, and elegant, this is another 2020 that's going to drink nicely for 7-8 years or more. The blend is 80% Grenache, with the balance Syrah, Mourvèdre, Clairette Rose, and other permitted varieties (including white varieties as well).

90 pts, Jeb Dunnuck, November 2022

Châteauneuf-du-Pape Marquis Anselme Mathieu 2020

Slightly darker in color, the 2020 Châteauneuf du Pape Marquis Anselme Mathieu offers more black cherry and assorted darker fruits to go with classic notes of ground pepper and garrigue. It's medium-bodied on the palate and has lots of structure and tannins, yet it holds onto a terrific sense of balance and elegance. It's relatively tight and closed today, which is rare for a 2020, but I think it's loaded with potential. A textbook blend of Grenache, Syrah, Mourvedre, and other permitted varieties that was partially destemmed and brought up all in foudre, it's going to benefit from 3-4 years of bottle age and drink brilliantly over the following decade. I'm a fan.

92+ pts, Jeb Dunnuck, November 2022