

# Domaine Paul Meunier Centernach, Roussillon



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## Côtes du Roussillon Villages “Les Chorèmes” Rouge 2023

Full bottle 1,325 g. Carignan, Grenache and Syrah grown on black schist, granitic sand and alluvial clay limestone. Permaculture and agroforestry. Certified organic (Ecocert).

*If you could imagine that an artist could draw the scent of peonies, dark, old-blood red, with a fat charcoal pencil, petals smudging into sweeps of coal, you could imagine what this wine smells like. If you could imagine that same artist drawing the tannins, like the stems of the peonies, long and slender but strong enough to hold the heavy, outrageously sensuous heads of the peonies – dark lines, yet finer than the paper they’re drawn on – you’d know what the tannins are like. If you could imagine those peonies, sketched in kohl, taking shape and blooming into three-D crimson and sweetness as you watch, you might just be able to imagine how beautiful this wine tastes. And it tastes like picking up the strawberry that tumbled out of your trug after you picked it (it was the fattest, ripest strawberry, worth rescuing) and putting it straight in your mouth: sweetness, earth, mushrooms and hay. And the sweetest strawberry of all. remarkably evocative.*

**17.5/20 pts**– Tamlyn Currin, [jancisrobinson.com](http://jancisrobinson.com), January 2026

## Côtes du Roussillon Villages “Les Chorèmes” Rouge 2020

*Paul Meunier’s and Lucile Morin’s les Chorèmes Rouge bottling is their older vine cuvée, composed from a cépages of sixty percent Carignan, twenty percent Grenache, fifteen percent Syrah and five percent Lleduner Pelut, with all of the vineyards farmed organically. The wine is fermented with indigenous yeasts and raised in older oak for eighteen to twenty-four months prior to bottling. The 2020 les Chorèmes comes in at 13.5 percent octane and reveals a simply stunning bouquet of dark berries, coffee bean, bonfire, hung game, just a touch of pepper, a complex base of chalky-stony soil tones and a topnote of brown spices. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied, focused and seamless, with a superb core of fruit, excellent soil signature, ripe, buried tannins and impeccable balance on the long, complex and still moderately chewy finish. This is an excellent wine that is just starting to blossom at five years of age, but which will be an even better drink if given a few more years in the cellar to let the tannins continue to recede. 2025-2045+.*

**91+ pts**– John Gilman, View from the Cellar, September-October 2025