

HB Wine Merchants presents wines from: **Ferraton**



FRANCE

Châteauneuf-du-Pape Le Parvis

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Brand Highlights

- Made with a majority of Grenache, with some Syrah and Mourvedre
- A Southern Rhone classic appellation
- Small production

The Estate

The Ferraton Père & Fils estate in Tain l'Hermitage was founded in 1946. The Mistral wind makes the Northern Rhône valley cooler than the Southern Rhône and it is reflected in the characteristics of the wine. In 1998, the vineyards began to use biodynamic farming principles in an effort to allow the personality of the terroir to be expressed. In 2004 Michel Chapoutier bought the estate and runs it with some prime vineyard holding in the Northern Rhône as well as negociant releases. In 2013 the entire vinification facility and cellars were updated with state-of-the-art equipment and fermentation tanks sized to their vineyard parcels.

Wine Making

The top soil from the Rhone River yields pebbles mixed with Red Clay and a base layer of Quaternary terrace. This hot climate is known for making powerful wines and this is no exception. The grapes are totally destemmed, pressed and vinified in cement vats. Extraction is aided by both pumping the must over the cap and punching down the cap. A long cool maceration that lasts about 20 days insures full flavors and density.

Tasting Notes

The nose of dried garrigue is well balanced with the tobacco and sweet cherry notes. They marry well with the leaf and licorice notes in a well balanced frame. The finish is persistent with good length and a touch of incense at the end.

Press

- ◆ 2013 Vintage 90 Points—Vinous
- ◆ 2012 Vintage 90 Points—Wine Advocate

Product Specifications

- Available in: 750mL w/Natural Cork
- UPC: 8 75734 00056 1
- SCC: 1 08 75734 00056 8
- Case (in.): 11.9 x 9.9 x 13.1