



DOMAINE GALÉVAN, CORALIE GOUMARRE CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE BLANC 2011



Coralie is the first woman since 9 generations to run the family domain of 120 acres located in Courthézon few miles north-east of Châteauneuf du Pape.

Her entire vineyard, planted with vines of an average of 55 years old, is in conversion to organic and will be officially certified for the vintage 2011.

Coralie is a strong-minded and impressively talented woman who embodies perfectly the essence of the domaine, "Galévan" meaning in local dialect the balance between a know-how and freedom of creation.

Châteauneuf du Pape Blanc are a rarity as they account for less than 5% of the appellation. 5 Grape varieties being allowed in the production of this white, there is not one but multiple expressions for this appellation.

SOIL TYPE _____

Pebble, chalk and clay
Windy south-oriented hillside.

VARIETAL _____

80% Grenache Blanc, 20% Clairette, Roussanne, Bourboulenc

CULTURE _____

Low yielding of 30hl/ha.
Organic farming of the vines with working of the soil to push the roots deeper.
Green harvest and manual leaf thinning.
Manual harvest with rigorous selection on sorting tables.

VINIFICATION _____

Grapes are harvested manually and rigorously sorted.
Alcoholic fermentation happens in New 500 L & 228 L French oak Barrels
Ageing happens in the same slightly toasted French oak barrels during 15 months with bâtonnage.

TASTING NOTES _____

A remarkably balanced wine showing a nice backbone of acidity. Ripe stone fruit, mandarin and apricot are the dominant aromas. A lot of lively spice and discreet orange peel bitterness at the finish. You are far away from the flabby or overly fleshy style that is commonly found in the white Rhône.

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- "Puy Saint Martin", IGP Vacluse red 2013
- "Libre expression" Côtes du Rhône white 2013
- "L'esprit devin" Côtes du Rhône villages 2012
- "Paroles de Femme" Côtes du Rhône Rouge 2011
- Châteauneuf du Pape 2011

