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CHÂTEAU SAINT ROCH

Le Rosé 2019

Sur les schistes noirs de la Vallée de l'Agly, le grenache et le mourvèdre trouvent à loisir de quoi exprimer leur jus puissant. Si ce rosé semble issu d'un travail pointu en cave, et relève donc de la catégorie des rosés techniques, il n'en demeure pas moins tendu. Des saveurs d'orange sanguine parsèment sa matière. Saluons sa bouche ourlée d'un liseré savoureux de tanins croustillants.

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Chimères du château Saint-Roch, un rouge séduisant grâce à son intense fraîcheur.

CHÂTEAU SAINT-ROCH

● *Chimères 2018*

La puissance est au rendez-vous dès le bouquet floral et épicé du nez. On profite ensuite d'une bouche pulpeuse tout aussi intense, structurée par des tanins minéraux et un boisé encore trop dominant. Heureusement, cette cuvée reste séduisante grâce à son intense fraîcheur

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SOMM'S TABLE

Saint-Roch Cotes du Roussillon Vieilles Vignes Blanc #Winophiles

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Today's wine is the Saint Roch Vieilles Vignes Côtes de Roussillon Blanc 2017, an estate run by Jean-Marc and Eliane Lafage. The Lafage's also own **Domaine Lafage**, where they farm 160 hectares of vines located just south of Perpignan, the capital of French Catalonia.

Jean-Marc decided to buy **Chateau Saint Roch** with his father in mind. Jean-Marc comes from a family of seven generations of winemakers, and the first five generations had always lived in Maury. His father, in particular, loved this region and always wanted to live in a farmhouse in the middle of the vineyards (as opposed to in town) of Maury. Jean-Marc as well grew up, worked his first vineyard, and made his first wine there. Clearly, there was a lot of sentimentalities attached to this village, so, when an opportunity presented itself to buy the Chateau Saint Roch property, he jumped on it.
Both of the Lafage properties are family-run with lots of different, experimental cuvées. On the Domaine Lafage site, Jean-Marc describes the dynamic: "My focus is on the vineyards, and Eliane is queen of the cellar, but we decide on the blends together. we have a fantastic team who work with us, rooted in the culture of the Roussillon, and are devoted our success."

This still, dry wine is made predominantly of Grenache Blanc, along with some Roussanne. On the nose, a fruit bowl of aromas drew me in with notes of white peach, apricots, pears, green melon, grapefruit, and flowers. On the palate, the rounder fruit notes like white peach, tangerine, and ripe lemons hit up front. Then things moved into more puckery citrus notes like lime and grapefruit, along with a few sprigs of herbs, finally moving into a lightly minerally finish. It's medium-bodied, starting off round and finishing quite crisp, and has medium acidity that remains bright.
It's really a very sunshiny wine that would be perfect for sipping outside on sunny days, but it also seemed like it would be very food-friendly, fitting many different scenarios at the table.

That's a very Solid Value, and the fact everything is done by hand and the land is farmed conscientiously just about pushes this into Overachiever territory. (Also, find it elsewhere on **Wine Searcher**.)

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Château Saint-Roch 2017 Chimères, Côtes du Roussillon Villages AOP ($18)

Overdelivering on every level, this blend of 40% Grenache, 30% Syrah, and 30% Carignan grown on rocky, black schist soils near Maury is a true find. Earth and balsamic meld with blackberry and tar on the nose. A silky entry morphs into a chewy texture with dry tannins, mouthwatering blue fruit, and a hint of black pepper. Ripe cherry and plum liqueur make on appearance on the finish.

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Explore the Origins of Grenache: A Journey Through Spain and France

Start on your journey out from Perpignan to discover Grenache at **Château Saint Roch** in the appellation of Maury Sec, where dry table wines can be produced. Owned by Jean-Marc & Eliane Lafage of **Domaine Lafage**, Saint Roch's Grenache wines are softer than their Spanish cousins but full of elegance.

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