



Chante-Alouette Hermitage Blanc

Vintage:

2016

Tier:

Excellence

Grapes:

100% Marsanne

Region/Appellation:

Rhône Valley

AOP Hermitage

Alcohol by Volume:

14%

Vegetarian/Vegan:

Yes

Drinking Window:

Now - 2033

Certifications:

Organic/Biodynamic



Ratings:

WA: 92/100

Vinous: 93/100

WE: 96/100

The Wine

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Winemaker Notes

Complex yet subtle, with aromas of quince, walnut, honey, ginger, acacia with a hint of linden-tree. The palate it is very elegant with a fine and lengthy finish.

Vineyard

The grapes from which this wine is produced comes from three different vineyards: Le Méal", characterized by a soil of very old fluvial-glacial alluvial deposits with a high pebble content. "Les Murets", whose soil is clay-gravel, the red clay give the wines a full, rich character. "Chante-Alouette", a high lying terroir whose soil is a mixture of loess and very finely decomposed granite, it gives the wine freshness, salinity and acidity. The different plots are mainly located in the Ermite lieu-dit, on high plateaus and plains with excellent exposure

Winemaking

Grapes are hand-harvested at maturity. The musts are obtained after a long pressing and are lightly settled before fermentation. Part of the fermentation is carried out in stainless steel tanks and part in demi-muids. The lees are stirred up (bâtonnage) for the first 2-3 months adding texture to the wine. 40-30% takes place in stainless steel vats. The remaining 60-70% is aged in demimuids (600 litres) barrels, 10% of which are made of new wood and 90% of wood previously used for one to three wines.

Food match

Lobster, fish or poultry in a cream sauce. Goat cheeses, blue cheeses, spicy dishes (excellent with green curry), or with mushroom or truffle-based dishes.

