Les Volets Malbec, IGP Haute Vallée de l'Aude 2024

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Maison Boutinot

— Aude, France

A joyful expression of Malbec from higher altitude vineyards. A range of wines from cooler terroirs, handcrafted by our winemaker, Guillaume Létang. Les Volets" translates to shutters". The kind of window shutter you find on almost every house in the south of France. As the shutters are absolutely typical of the villages of the Haute Vallée de l'Aude, so too are these wines completely expressive of the region. Now HVE3 sustainable certified.

Production

Haute Vallée de l'Aude is an area where altitude plays a vital role in tempering the climate. Separated from the Mediterranean by a range of coastal mountains whose elevation and gradient prompt higher diurnal ranges and allow cool winds from the Atlantic to blow through the vines. The region's climate resembles South-West France more than the other hot, dry coastal areas of Languedoc. Malbec has a natural affinity in the Haute Vallée de l'Aude. The fruit for this wine was sourced from the lesser-known territory of Pays Cathare near the towns of Carcassonne and Limoux. Here the argilo-calcaire subsoils give elegance and unique flavours to the wine. While Malbec is traditionally big, bold, and used for blending in this area of France, we chose to present this wine varietally with little oak influence. This is a wine to appreciate for its difference. It is grown and vinified sustainably, achieving HVE3 certification.

Tasting note

Vibrant ruby hues gleam out of the glass. The first notes on the nose are of crushed blueberries which then develop on to reveal an intriguing bitter-sweet character of crème de cassis with a touch of underlying parma violets. Fine red-fruits fill the mouth; cranberries and a touch of cocoa nib on the lifted finish.

Food Match

Delicious with steak and meats from the grill. It works with seared tuna, too.

ABV:
12.50%

Case/Bottle Size:
6x 75cl

Closure:
Please Select

Category:
Sustainable

Appellation:
IGP Haute Vallée de l'Aude

Winemaker:
Guillaume Létang

Grape Varieties:
Malbec 100%

Suitable for:
Vegan

Bottle Barcode:
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