

COTEAUX DE LA CÈZE : DOMAINE MABY

Style

Red, Dry, Medium bodied

Region

Southern Rhône

Wine Maker

Richard & Natasha Maby

Appellation

The Vin de Pays des Coteaux de la Cèze area lies East of the town of Orange on the West bank of the Rhône River, immediately South of the Ardèche.

Cépage

Cinsault and Syrah .

Tasting Note

Wonderful aromas of ripe red berry fruits precede a well-balanced palate of jammy blackberry fruit and supple tannins.

Serve

With charcuterie, grilled red meat or cheese.

Cellarage

Drinks well when released and up to 6 years from vintage.

Vinification

Fruit from 20 year old vines is destalked, pressed and fermented for 12 days in stainless steel vats. Malolactic fermentation is encouraged. The wine is aged for 12 months in used oak barrels, filtered and bottled between 18 months and 2 years after the vintage. The yield is 55 hectolitres per hectare.

History

Coteaux de la Cèze is a zonal Vin de Pays on the far Eastern border of the Gard département. It produces two-thirds red wine and one-third rosé, but very little white.

Armand Maby (ex-Mayor of Tavel) and his son Roger are very forward looking vignerons, continually striving to improve techniques resulting in a very high quality, sophisticated regional wine.

