

DOMAINE LAVAU

AOP RASTEAU

WINEMAKER

Benoit et Frederic Lavau

WINE REGION

Rhône Valley



STORY

Lavau is a family owned company specialised in the vinification of fine wines of the Rhône Valley. The family has been making wines for more than 5 generations. Since 2010, they own several vineyards, in Valréas, Bagnols sur Cèze and Rasteau, as well as a Château in Châteauneuf du Pape: Château Maucoil.

VINEYARD

The vineyard has minimum treatment possible to optimise the yield with grapes at perfect maturity. Grapes are picked in the early morning to deliver the best quality.

VINIFICATION

The fruit is 100% destemmed upon arrival to the winery. The grapes then go through a 25 day cold maceration in large barrels. The cap management is maintained by twice a day punch downs. As the fruit nears the end of fermentation, the cellar crews also adds 1 pump over a day until the winemaker decides to pull the wine off the skins.

TASTING NOTES

The wine opens with a nose of dry black fruit and hints of dark spice intertwined with smoke. The palate is robust, with flavors of black fruit and a mouthwatering leathery feel. This red blend of Grenache and Syrah is a perfect expression of the Rasteau terroir.

FOOD PAIRING

This wine is perfect with a rabbit meat stew.

QUICK FACTS

VARIETY

50% grenache, 50% Syrah

PRODUCTION

4,160 cases

SCORES

2015 Vintage

90pts Wine Spectator

92 pts Wine Advocate

