

OLD VINES WHITE 2022

AOP COTES DU ROUSSILLON WHITE

The Château Saint-Roch is in the heart of Roussillon, South of France, close to the Spanish border, halfway between the Pyrenees and the Mediterranean Sea. The Queribus Cathar castle, sits on a steep cliff that overlooks the valley and our vineyard.

Terroir

Stony, black schist soil, with loam, in the Agly Valley.

Grape Varieties

Old Vines: 60% Grenache Blanc & Gris, 30% Macabeu, 10% Viognier

Winegrowing

High Environmental Value level 3 vineyard. Sustainable, low-impact farming. Bush vines, dry grown. Yield: 1,620 Liters per acre.

Winemaking

First selection as the bunches are cut, and second sorting of grapes at the cellar door. Cold maceration. The alcoholic fermentation is kept at 16°C to maximize the fruit expression. Aging: Grenache 5 months in concrete, Macabeu and Viognier 5 months in French oak barrels. Bottled in December.

Jean-Marc Lafage's Tasting Notes

Flaxen color tinged with silver green highlights. Aromas of lime zest and flavors of ripe pear. A beautiful concentration with a long mineral fresh finish. A medium bodied white made with great precision. Pair with shellfish, sushi, poultry, or vegetarian cuisine.

Awards

92 Pts James Suckling V2021

90 Robert Parker V2020

93 Pts Jeb Dunnuck V2020

