CHÂTEAU
SAINT-ROCH

# CHIMÈRES 2023

## AOP CÔTES DU ROUSSILLON VILLAGES

**VARIETIES**

Grenache noir, Syrah, Carignan

**TERROIR**

In the Agly valley, near the village of Maury. The vines are planted at the foot of the famous Cathar Castle of Queribus, at about 40 km away from the Mediterranean sea in Roussillon, South of France.

Stony black schist soils, with loam. The Grenache and Carignan are 'gobelet' - free-standing bush vines and the Syrah is trained on trellis wires. Sustainable, low-impact farming, with hand-harvesting for the Grenache & Carignan.

**WINE-MAKING PROCESS**

Hand-harvested into small crates with a first selection as the bunches are cut, and then a second sorting of grapes at the cellar door.

The fermentation is kept between 20-23°C to maximise the fruit expression and the wine is macerated for 4 weeks with both pumping over and pigeages.

60% of the wine is matured in one wine oak barrel during 6 months. The rest is aged in concrete vats.

**TASTING**

Dark black colour with purple hints. The mouth shows aromas of red fruits, liquorice, olives and leather. The wine is full-bodied and concentrated, but supple and fresh, with slight oak and plush tannins. Enjoy within the next 5 years.

**WINE PAIRINGS**

Duck magret, entrecôte, lamb stew, bœuf bourguignon, hard cheeses.

**AWARDS**

90 pts Decanter Wine Awards (2023 vintage)
91 pts Bettane & Desseauve2026 (2023 vintage)
91 pts James Suckling (2023 vintage)
95Pts Decanter (2022 vintage)
Gold CGA (2023 vintage)
89Pts Wine Spectator (2022 vintage)
90Pts Wine Advocate (2022 vintage)
92Pts James Suckling (2022 vintage)
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* Guide Hachette 2023 (2020 vintage)
90Pts Decanter (2020 vintage)
92 Pts Decanter (2019 vintage)
91 Pts Wine Advocate (2018 vintage)

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