



HÉLOÏSE 2015



PURPOSE

Flagship Syrah blend named after the famed philosopher Heloise d'Argenteuil, brilliant disciple-turned-lover of Pierre Abélard, fearless and forward-thinking. Showcasing the elegance and restraint of our high altitude, cooler-climate Syrah, with some fleshy Grenache and a touch of Roussanne to add floral aromatics.

TASTING NOTES

Appearance: A deep crimson color.

Nose: Intense and perfumed, rich, fruity and earthy.

Palate: Full-bodied with flavors of ripe black fruit (blackberry), liquorice and silky tannins.

Finish: Very long and refreshing.

Aging potential: 10-15 years.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

A generous and intense blend with strong aging potential, ideally suited to game birds, poultry, lamb and roasted vegetables. Decant for at least an hour and serve at room temperature.

SPECIFICATIONS

Varieties: Syrah (78%), Grenache noir (18%), Roussanne (4%)

Alcohol: 14% | pH: 3.7

Total acidity: 2.9 g/l (as sulfuric), 4.4 g/l (as tartaric)

Residual sugar: <0.5 g/l, still wine

Barrel-aged: 18 months

VINEYARD NOTES

Vines: Grenache noir, over 60 years old, north-west facing at 530m. Syrah, over 50 years old, south-west facing at 540m.

Soil: Limestone marl (clay and limestone) and very stony.

Pruning method: Single and double cordon de Royat, 5-6 shoots per cordon.

VINEYARD MANAGEMENT

No synthetic treatments, to ensure health of vines and soil.