



# ASTRALABE 2019



## PURPOSE

A vibrant easy-drinking Grenache-Syrah blend, named after the real-life lovechild of famed medieval lovers Abélard & Héloïse. Younger in age and spirit than its complex, collectible “parents”, it aims to deliver fresh fruit but also nice spice, concentration and length.

## TASTING NOTES

Appearance: Bright ruby.

Nose: Fresh red fruit, dried flowers and hints of spice.

Palate: Vibrant with juicy red fruit and delicate tannins.

Finish: Aromatic with fresh spice.

Aging potential: 5-6 years.

## SERVING SUGGESTIONS

Pairs perfectly with red meat, poultry, grilled fish, roasted vegetables, cheese and Mediterranean cuisine.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Varieties: Grenache noir (72%), Syrah (28%)

Alcohol: 14% | pH: 3.6

Total acidity: 2.8 g/l (as sulfuric), 4.3 g/l (as tartaric)

Residual sugar: <0.5 g/l, still wine | Closure: Cork

## VINEYARD NOTES

Vines: Assemblage of old-vine Grenache noir, over 60 years old, and other younger Grenache vines, north-west facing at 530m. Syrah up to 55 years old, south-west facing at 540m.

Soil: Clay and very stony limestone.

Pruning method: Double cordon de Royat, 6 shoots per cordon.

## VINEYARD MANAGEMENT

No synthetic treatments, to ensure health of vines and soil. Certified Organic (Ecocert) and HVE Level 3 (highest tier), sustainable viticulture.