



ASTRALABE 2018



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: Warm ruby colour, bright with hints of mahogany.
Nose: Fresh red fruits and notes of dried flowers.
Palate: Smooth, fresh and full-bodied, fine and silky tannins.
Finish: Long and aromatic, the palate matches the nose.
Spiced notes add complexity.
Aging potential: 3-5 years.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

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

SPECIFICATIONS

Varieties: Grenache noir (80%), Syrah (20%)
Alcohol: 14% | pH: 3.78
Total acidity: 2.79 g/l (as sulfuric), 4.2 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 over 30 years old, south-west facing at 540m.
Soil: Argilo-calcaire (clay and limestone) and very stony.
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), Bee Friendly and HVE Level 3 (highest tier), sustainable viticulture.