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TERROIR: LIMESTONE VARIETIES: 40% Vermentino 15% ROUSSANNE 15% MARSANNE 15% GRENACHE BLANC 10% VIOGNIER 5% CLAIRETTE VINE AGE: 15-20 YEARS





OVERVIEW

The vineyards of Château de Lascaux have been in the family for thirteen generations. The name of the domaine, "Lascaux" comes from a limestone specific to the domaine's vineyard sites. Jean-Benoît Cavalier took direction of the property in 1984. The domaine has expanded from twenty-five to eighty-five hectares of vineyards, surrounded by three-hundred hectares of forest, filled with green oaks, pines, and garrigue. The stony soil lends finesse and freshness to his wines, giving the reds greater aging potential than Syrah-based wines grown in other Languedoc soils. The proliferation of garrique certainly is reflected in the aromatics, where notes of laurel, thyme, rosemary, réglisse, and mint are present in the wines. There is a freshness and purity, finesse and complexity in the Lascaux wines that is rare in this wild landscape.

The vineyards are surrounded by forests on either side and a continental climate where Syrah does particularly well. These vineyards have been certified "agriculture biologique" since September 2009.

TECHNIQUES USED

The Garrigue Blanc is hand harvested and the grapes are completely de-stemmend. After a brief and very cold maceration on the skins. The wine is aged in cuve for seven months before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Eyes: Pretty color of pale green straw.

Nose: Powerful and complex with notes of white flower, violet, white peach, and apricots. **Mouth:** An attack of freshness and finesse. Very long finish with floral notes and aromas that are persistent in the nose.

SUGGESTIONS

• Food Pairings: Ideal for aperitif.

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