## **2020 Empreintes Rouge** CLOS SAINT SEBASTIEN, COLLIOURE - BANYULS, FRANCE



## The Wine:

90% Grenache, 10% Carignan from the Collioure district from vines averaging 40-50 years old. Aged for one year in 50% French oak and 50% stainless steel. Grapes are handharvested and cold soaked for 48 hours prior to fermentation. 20 days of maceration with the skins to extract color and tannins. There were less than 450 cases made in 2020.

## The Estate:

Clos St. Sebastien draws its fruit from 14 acres of A.O.C. property in the acclaimed Collioure district. This area is regarded as the best red wine producing region in the Languedoc. All of the vines sit on steeply terraced slopes which cannot be harvested by mechanical means. They are grown without pesticides. This low-yielding philosophy results in wines of great quality and clear expression of the terroir in which they are grown. Winemaker Romuald Perrone carefully oversees all aspects of wine production from vineyard to bottle.

## **Tasting Notes:**

**Color:** Ruby-maroon **Aromas:** Spiced black plums, coffee beans and orange peel **Flavor & Texture:** Silky and elegant with black and red fruit and hints of wild herbs

**Food Pairing:** Herb-roasted chicken with wild grain rice and crusty French bread

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