

ALAIN VOGÉ  
RHÔNE RIVE DROITE

**Cornas**

APPELLATION CONTRÔLÉE

LES VIEILLES VIGNES



*This is our classic wine. The oldest of the Domain's wines, it was created during the 1970s to highlight the long-standing family vineyard. Vines for this wine are located in the heart of the appellation, facing those we first replanted. Les Vieilles Vignes is a wine that reflects our history and our winemaking know-how.*

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*Organic and biodynamic methods are used for the entire domain.*

## TERROIR

Situated on slopes at an altitude of approximately 200 metres, facing South-South-East, the vines of our classic wine are on average 60 years old. Their roots delve deep down into old, worn granite rock, called *gores* locally.

## 2016 VINTAGE

2016 was a standard vintage for our terroirs, with fine weather conditions, but it was a year that forced us to be extremely vigilant to watch out for any attack of fungal disease. Yields were good. Everything was well balanced; the wines are marked by elegance, while conveying the typical character of Cornas and Saint-Péray.

## OUR VINE GROWING AND WINEMAKING

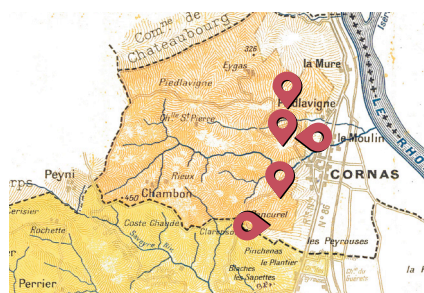
- Organic certification for the vines and wine in the 2016 vintage and biodynamic methods used.
- Syrah vines trained and pruned in the Gobelet style and supported by stakes.
- Hand-picked harvests.
- Partial destemming with 20% whole grapes.
- Fermentation with natural yeasts and maceration for several weeks in stainless steel vats, with cap-punching and pumping-over done twice a day.
- Maturation in 228-litre barrels for 20 months, with 15% to 20% new barrels.
- Amount of sulphite reduced: 44 mg/l total SO<sub>2</sub> (100 mg/litre authorised in organic winemaking)
- Production : 14 800 bottles / 300 magnums
- Ageing potential: 20 years

## COMMENTS

*"From lieux-dits Mazard and La Côte, 80% destemmed. Sun-warmed herbs accompany sand, lavender and raspberry on the nose. It has good aromatic freshness and definition, and the full-bodied palate is also clean, super-fresh and lively. It's dense and ripe, defined by serrated tannins, keen acidity and a mouth-coating character. This is full of character, a very classic expression of Cornas that's not massive, but is detailed, clear and sinewy with mineral hints. Seriously good this year."*

Drinking Window 2022 - 2036

Decanter, Matt Walls 2017 : **97/100**



### CORNAS APPELLATION

100% SYRAH

### TERRITORY

The appellation: 145 ha.  
This wine's plots: 3,5 ha.

### POSITION

Slopes of the localities named  
*Combe, Patou, La Côte,  
Thézier, Les Mazards, Chaillot.*

### AVAILABLE VINTAGE

2016



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