



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.

## 2017 VINTAGE

One more early vintage (harvest started in the last week of August). 2017 was an easy season for the phytosanitary treatments. However, the lack of water all along the year, a short heat wave during the flowering, and an unusual draught in September reduced the attended yield (40 % juice less for the whites and for the reds). Bad surprise, in spite of very beautiful quality....

- 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: 42 mg/l total SO<sub>2</sub> (100 mg/litre authorised in organic winemaking)
- Production : 13 130 bottles / 380 magnums
- Ageing potential: 20 years

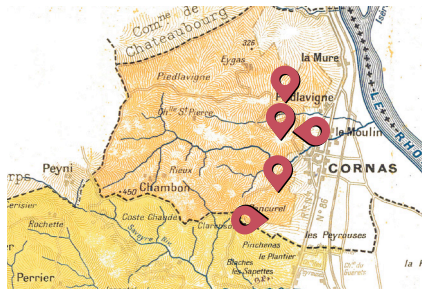


## COMMENTS

*"There are multiple layers to the aromatic palate: rosemary, thyme, herbal bitters, blackberry, blackcurrant and loganberry. A medium-bodied, concentrated but unforced wine with no excessive extraction, a subtly spiced finish and sineavy, brushed tannins. Detailed, focussed, structured and textural, this is captivating and true to its terroir "*

Drinking Window 2020 - 2032

Decanter, Matt Walls 01 Nov 2018 : **96/100**



## CORNAS APPELLATION

100% SYRAH

## TERRITORY

The appellation: 152 ha.  
This wine's plots: 3,5 ha.

## POSITION

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

## AVAILABLE VINTAGE

2017



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