



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.

## 2021 VINTAGE

An opposite vintage...

The historical frost on April 8th hit our vineyard in Saint-Péray and the bottom of Cornas, after a too hot episode in February. 50 % in Saint-Péray were finally lost, and only 2 wines were produced: Harmonie and Fleur de Crussol, showing a very beautiful quality, coming from the freshness of the season.

In Cornas, the yields of the slopes have almost compensated the missing frozen harvest. The very rainy (896 mm/m<sup>2</sup>) and late season (harvest from September 13th to October 2nd) offer an "old-school" vintage, fresh, delicate and smooth, with lower level of alcohol, but less time lag between alcoholic and phenolic ripeness than in the hot and dry vintages.

## OUR VINE GROWING AND WINEMAKING

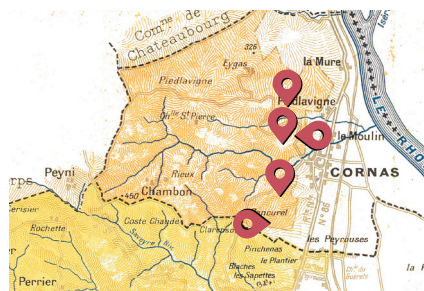
- Organic certification for the vines and wine in the 2016 vintage and biodynamic methods used.
- Syrah vines trained and pruned in the Gobelet style and supported by stakes.
- Hand-picked harvests.
- Total destemming
- Fermentation with natural yeasts and maceration for several weeks in stainless steel vats, with cap-punching and pumping-over done twice a day.
- Maturation in 228-litre barrels for 20 months, with 10 % new barrels.
- Amount of sulphite reduced: 59 mg/l total SO<sub>2</sub> (100 mg/litre authorised in organic winemaking)
- Production : 13739 bottles / 524 magnums
- Ageing potential: 20 years



## COMMENTS

**2021 vintage:** "The 2021 Cornas Les Vieilles Vignes is cut from the same cloth yet brings another level of density. Blackberries, blueberries, violets, scorched earth, and graphite all define the aromatics, and it's medium-bodied, with a great mid-palate, ripe tannins, and a great finish. I put this up with the best in the vintage."

Jeb Dunnuck, 15/12/2022 : **91-94/100**



### CORNAS APPELLATION

100% SYRAH

### TERRITORY

The appellation: 162 ha.  
This wine's plots: 3,5 ha.

### POSITION

Slopes of the localities named  
Combe, Patou, Théziers, Les  
Mazards, Chaillet.

### AVAILABLE VINTAGE

2021



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