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TERROIR: LIMESTONE VARIETIES: 60% SYRAH

40% GRENACHE 10% MOURVÈDRE

VINE AGE: 10-20 years

ALCOHOL CONT: 14%





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

- Traditional vinification lasts for approximately 30 days.
- Gentle, regular punch-downs during maceration.
- Ages in cuve for 14 months before bottling.
- Wine bottled unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

Eyes: Deep ruby red, bright and clear. **Nose:** Red and black fruit and spices.

Mouth: Beautiful balance with roundness and fine tannins. A finish of liquorish

and raspberry.

SUGGESTIONS

• Food Pairings: Earthy foods. grilled red meats and rich sauces

