



2013 Clos Saint-Jean Chateauneuf du Pape Blanc

A Proprietary Blend Dry White Table wine from France, Chateauneuf du Pape, Southern Rhone, Rhone, France

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Rating: 92

Drink -

Cost: \$47-\$60

Starting with the white, the 2013 Châteauneuf du Pape Blanc is a clean, pure and silky white that offers ample white peach, white flowers and light minerality. Rich and textured, yet also subtle and seamless, it's a superb white to drink over the coming 3-4 years, or cellar for a decade. This 120 acres estate, under the leadership of the Maurel brothers and oenologist Philippe Cambie, continues to fashion some of the most profound wines on the planet. Their 2012s, which is a vintage compared to a mix of 2009 and 2010 by Vincent, fall just short of what was accomplished here in 2010 and 2007, but are incredible wines that certainly rank at the top of the vintage. Readers should also check out the retrospective from this estate in Issue 214 to get an idea how these wines evolve. Importer(s): Eric Solomon. European Cellars, 2129 E Seventh St., Charlotte, NC 28204, (704) 358-1565, www.europeancellars.com
