



2009 Domaine du Grand Tinel Chateauneuf du Pape Cuvee Alexis Establet

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

Review by Robert Parker
Wine Advocate # 191 (Oct 2010)
Rating: (89-91)
Drink 2010 - 2020
Cost:

Made from 100% Grenache (100-year-old vines from La Gardiole), the 2009 Chateauneuf du Pape Cuvee Alexis Establet is aged in foudre (60%) and cement (40%). Revealing abundant aromas of kirsch liqueur, plum and roasted Provencal herbs, it is about the same weight as the regular bottling, possesses sweet tannins, and is undeniably seductive and silky. I am not certain the slight difference in quality and intensity is worth declaring a special cuvee in this vintage. The Alexis Establet should drink nicely for a decade. (Not yet released) Importers: various American importers including: J & R Selections, Lansing, MI; tel. (517) 393-4441 and Alain Junguenet, Wines of France, Mountainside, NJ; tel. (908) 654-6173
