



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Louis Barruol Winemaker: Louis Barruol Total acreage under vine: 62 Estate founded: 1490 Winery production: 6,000 Bottles Region: Rhone Valley Country: France



WINE DESCRIPTION

St. Cosme Condrieu is a pure expression of Viognier sourced from granitic soils in Northern Rhône. The cooler weather helps to create balance in this otherwise finicky varietal, lending an intensely aromatic character and great depth to the final wine. This Condrieu undergoes full malolactic fermentation and refinement in partially new and used oak for 12 months.

TASTING NOTES

Château de St. Cosme Condrieu is teeming with commanding aromas of licorice, jasmine and elderflower. On the palate, it offers rich flavors of white peach and anise. Full and round, this Condrieu is remarkably elegant and lively.

FOOD PAIRING

Pairs wonderfully with fresh lobster in garlic butter.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Vineyard size: 5

Soil composition: Light, dry granitic-sandy, decomposed flint, chalk, mica

Training method: Gobelet
Elevation: 660 feet
Vines/acre: 3200
Yield/acre: 25 tons
Exposure: Eastern

Harvest time: end of September

First vintage of this wine: 1997 Bottles produced of this wine: 6,000

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 100% Viognier Length of alcoholic fermentation: 10 days Fermentation temperature: 64 °F Maceration technique: **Pumpovers** Barrels Type of aging container: 224 L Size of aging container: Age of aging container: New Length of aging before bottling: 9 months

ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol: 13.5% pH level: 3.7
Residual sugar: 1.5 g/L

