FAMILLE COMBARD



# PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: The Combard Family Winemaker: Francois Combard; Damien **Pages** Total acreage under vine: 210

Estate founded: 1992 Winery production: 160,000 Bottles Region: Provence Country: France



# Figuière Première Rosé 2018

# WINE DESCRIPTION

Figuière is a 210-acre organic wine estate located in La Londe les Maures. Alain Combard purchased the property in 1992 after discovering its cool coastal climate and unique schist soils. "The schist in La Londe seduced my father," says Alain's daughter Magali, "schist and the sea make our style."

Figuière is in La Londe-les-Maures between Marseille and Nice with vineyards that lie just a few hundred meters from the Mediterranean Sea. "There's a five-degree difference in temperature from our vineyards to those of the interior," says Magali, "the freshness and minerality found in our wines is very singular to the La Londe region."

Première Rosé is organically grown and produced entirely from the Figuière estate in the Côtes-de-Provence AOP. The goal of Première Rosé is to express the unique terroir found at La Londe where Figuière is located. A blend of Mourvèdre, Cinsault, and Grenache with a short two to three-hour maceration on the skins.

#### TASTING NOTES

Figuière aims for tight wines that express the unique terroir of coastal Provence. Première Rosé shows complex aromas and flavors of nectarine, thyme and lavender, and white flowers. The wine has a persistent freshness thanks to cooling breezes from the Mediterranean and an underpinning of salty minerality thanks to La Londe's distinctive schist soils.

#### FOOD PAIRING

The refreshing character of Provençal rosé with its bright acidity and moderate level of alcohol make it the ideal partner to the simply prepared cuisine of the Mediterranean. Serve this wine with crudités and anchovy sauce, marinated red bell peppers and a crudo of sea bass with lemon and peppercorn.

### VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Production area/appellation: Côtes-de-Provence AOP

Vineyard name: Figuière Vineyard size: 210 Soil composition: Schist Elevation: 660 feet

Mid August- Mid September Harvest time:

First vintage of this wine: 1979 Bottles produced of this wine: 160,000 Average Wine Age: 25-35 years Certified Vineyards: Yes Certified Organizations:

# WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 50% Mourvèdre, 25% Cinsault, 25% Grenache

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Fermentation container: Stainless steel tanks

Length of alcoholic fermentation: 15 days Fermentation temperature: 60 °F Maceration technique: Pressing Fining agent: Vegan Total SO2: 97 mg/L

# ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol: 13% pH level: 3.5 Residual sugar: 0.6 g/L Acidity: 3.1 g/L

