



## CHÂTEAU LA CROIX DES PINS BEAUMES DE VENISE ROUGE

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Situated in Mazan, in the district of Vaucluse, Château la Croix des Pins lies between Mont Ventoux and Les Dentelles de Montmirail in an area classified as a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. The history of the estate goes back to the 16th century when the local branch of papal government had headquarters in Carpentras. The prelate built a Tuscan-style residence reflecting the religious influence of Italy and this element of the building is still apparent through its interior chapel dating from this period as well as the mighty pergola composed of 40 pillars made from Crillon stone, leading to a spring flowing under a centenary oak, a perfect spot for prayer and meditation. The domaine has vineyards in Ventoux, Gigondas and Beaumes de Venise.

In 1998 the estate was one of the first of the region to be fully certified organic and in 2010 a new team led by Jean-Pierre Valade assumed control with an ambitious brief to raise the wine quality and profile of the estate. Since then the vineyard has been overhauled with new vineyards planted, while inside a new barrel room was installed and alongside the facilities to carry out multiple vinifications of individual parcels.

70% Grenache, 30% Syrah from organic vineyards at 300-350 metres on the back section of distinctive outcrop Les Dentelles de Montmirail, which is home to the best vineyards of both Beaumes de Venise and Gigondas. Berry liqueur fruits, meaty hints, warm spices; not as rustic as the appellation can be, but still rich and

spicy as you would expect. Good length and plenty of depth for the price.

