

# Montfrin La Tour Red

## Region

IGP Coteaux de Pont du Gard Rouge

## Winemaker notes

This IGP between Provence and Languedoc is located southern Uzès and North-East from Nîmes. The vineyard gather 19 villages of the Gard district, in Argillières and Cabrières area. Only 20 wineries are using this IGP.

## Viticultural Notes

Certified organic. Soils are formed from Würmian and Holocene era alluvial deposits formed of sand and silt, close to the Rhône and Gard rivers. Grapes are machine harvested to preserve quality and prevent oxidation.

## Vintage Notes

**2017 Vintage:** In many ways similar to 2015, the growing season was marked by dry, warm conditions. The spring was cool and dry, and the dry weather persisted through much of the summer. Some varieties suffered from coulure due to abrupt changes in weather conditions which naturally reduced yields. The dry conditions further reduced yields. Drought resistant varieties such as grenache and carignan fared well. Southern Rhône reds vary in quality by appellation, but in general they are densely structured, with ripe fruit and balanced acidities.

**2016 Vintage:** Like much of France, the vintage got off to a slow start, but the Southern Rhône was spared the devastating frosts that impacted many other regions throughout the country. Despite the gradual start to the growing season, warm weather arrived by summer and periodic rain storms kept drought stress at bay. Dry conditions continued through harvest, and temperatures began to cool off by mid September. Yields were generous and quality overall was very good. Wines are structured, with good concentration and fresh, fruit flavours.

Wine	Montfrin La Tour Red
Estate	Chateau de Montfrin
Varietal	60% Syrah, 30% Grenache, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon
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Vine Age	25-40 years
Soil	Sand and silt
Farming	Certified Organic
Fermentation	Temperature controlled fermentation in stainless steel
Aging	Stainless steel
Alcohol	13.5%

