



CHATEAU DE VALCOMBE



COSTIÈRES DE NÎMES RHÔNE VALLEY, FRANCE

The Costières de Nîmes region of the Rhône Valley is a study in contrasts. It is the southernmost appellation of the region, but it is simultaneously the coolest in the southern Rhône Valley. Despite its distinctly Mediterranean climate and iconic pebbled soils that most associate with Grenache, its reds are most often based on Syrah. And while it sits at the intersection of the Rhône Valley, Languedoc, and Provence, Costières de Nîmes wines are distinctly expressive of their specific, unique terroir.

If a single quality could describe the wines of Costières de Nîmes, it would be freshness. Nervy acidity carries through all of the region's styles, making them quite easy-drinking and approachable. The stress on the vines from growing and living in those rocky, relatively infertile, fast-draining soils means that the vines don't over-produce. This helps prevent flabby, unbalanced, and uninteresting wines.

DESIGNATION

COSTIÈRES DE NÎMES PASTEL ROSÉ
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VARIETY

96% Syrah, 4% Viognier

PROCESS

Pastel is a direct-press rosé combining the delicacy of Syrah with a touch of Viognier. The grapes are pressed together, co-fermented and aged for 3 months in cement vats. No wood is used during the aging process.

TASTING

A rosé with Provençal color and Mediterranean freshness!

Pale pink with a nose combining citrus fruits and floral touches. The aromas unite harmoniously creating fine and very fresh energy. The taut finish displays notes of clementine orange and lemon that carries through the finish with good length.

WINERY

Château de Valcombe, a family-owned property since 1749, is the southernmost estate in the Costières de Nîmes. Close to the Mediterranean Sea and planted on soils boasting the highest concentration of limestone in the region, Valcombe offers refined, concentrated wines with exuberant freshness and minerality. The vineyards planted in 1955 are still in cultivation and are, along with the entirety of the estates' vineyards, have been certified organic since 2018.