

2021 DOMAINE DE NIZAS

LE CLOS ROSÉ



WINEMAKER: François Lurton Winemaking Team
REGION: Languedoc, France
VARIETALS: Syrah (40%), Grenache (30%), Mourvèdre (30%)
MATURATION: Fine lees in stainless steel for two weeks
ANALYSIS: 12.5% alc/vol | pH: 3.13

VINEYARD: The terroir of Pézenas is one of the most complex in France. Surrounded by Garrigue (the local countryside's abundant wild herbs) the vineyard is a unique mosaic of three deep, well-draining soil types. River pebbles (Villafranchian) impart freshness and fine tannins while limestone creates powerful wines with red fruit aromas. Basalt soils are also present and result in wines with complex aromas and an elegant structure. Ever mindful of the importance of having a long-term view, Domaine de Nizas' vineyard has been certified sustainable since 2007 and is in conversion to be organic in 2023.

WINEMAKING: Harvested at night, the Syrah, Grenache and Mourvèdre parcels are left for a short period to macerate and are then pressed individually. The juice is cold settled and a long, cool fermentation in amphorae, stainless steel and concrete vessels to control different levels of oxygenation takes place. The wines are then racked and matured on fine lees with frequent stirring to amplify the aromatics and build texture.

TASTING NOTES: This Languedoc rosé shows off youthful scents of cherry blossom, tangerine and apple. Smooth and fleshy in style, showing candied red fruit flavors along with red berries, nectarine and peach. A graceful and sophisticated rosé.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 2021 Not yet rated. 2020: 90pts JamesSuckling.com, 90 pts Vinous

ABOUT DOMAINE DE NIZAS: Domaine de Nizas is located near the medieval village of Pézenas in the heart of the Languedoc region. Originally established in 1998, the winery is coveted for its diversity of rich and rare soil types, vineyards cooled by a northerly wind, and a history of wine production dating back to the 7th Century. In 2018, legendary Domaines François Lurton acquired the winery. Lurton has taken over the winegrowing and winemaking, with one goal in mind - to express the true potential of the exceptional terroir of Pézenas, the ideal place to produce quality wines, with extraordinary depth.

