

DOMAINES



Domaines Ott

Château Romassan Bandol Rouge

Bandol, France

Vintage: 2015

Overview

Domaines Ott was founded in 1912 by Alsatian engineer Marcel Ott. Today, the wineries are owned and managed by Champagne Louis Roederer, producing some of the world's most prestigious wines. These wines are made at three distinctively different estates: Château Romassan (Bandol), Clos Mireille, and Château de Selle (both Côtes de Provence).

Château Romassan is located in the Bandol appellation and lies at the foot of the village of Le Castellet. The soil is poor, composed of limestone, sandstone, and marine upper cretaceous marls. The Bandol appellation is known for its terraced landscapes built from the hard stone with vines, which are planted into vast terraces with varying exposures. The sea air from the bay of Bandol compensates for the terroir's acidity and low rainfall. The winery is located on 148 acres, which are fully devoted to wine production. Cultivation methods are traditional and the soil is mechanically tilled and young shoots are trained with the greatest care to the plant.

Tasting Notes

This wine displays a deep crimson color. The rich and powerful nose reveals aromas of dark berries which blend harmoniously with spicy, roasted notes, creating exceptional complexity. While the palate is juicy and meaty, it reflects the subtlety of the nose. Delicate aromas of blackberries combine with a touch of liquorice and nice freshness.

Harvest Notes

Exceptionally, this is a vintage that was marked by an exceptional amount of rainfall, which enabled the constitution of good water reserves. This rainfall preceded a mild, dry spring. The harvest was of good quality for all the wine domaines with some well-balanced degree/acidity ratios. The vinification revealed great aromatic subtlety and a very promising tension in the wines, which is usually indicative of a great vintage.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Varietals: 65% Mourvedre, 21% Syrah, 14% Grenache

Wine Alcohol: 15%