



HÉLOÏSE 2013



PURPOSE

Flagship Syrah blend named after the famed philosopher Heloise d'Argenteuil, brilliant disciple-turned-lover of Pierre Abélard, fearless and forward-thinking. Showcasing the elegance and restraint of cooler-climate Syrah, with some fleshy Grenache and a touch of Roussanne to add floral aromatics.

TASTING NOTES

Appearance: A deep, brilliant crimson color.

Nose: Complex with aromas of dark fruits and a hint of truffle.

Palate: A fleshy mouth-feel, both dense and elegant with notes of mature fruit and refined tannins.

Finish: Very long with notes of truffle.

Aging potential: 10-12 years.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

A generous and intense blend with strong aging potential, ideally suited to game birds, poultry, lamb and roasted vegetables. Decant for 2-3 hours and serve at room temperature.

SPECIFICATIONS

Varieties: Syrah (65%), Grenache noir (31%), Roussanne (4%)

Alcohol: 14% | pH: 3.7

Total acidity: 3.6 g/l (as sulfuric), 5.6 g/l (as tartaric)

Residual sugar: 0.6 g/l, still wine

Barrel-aged: 18 months

VINEYARD NOTES

Vines: Grenache noir, over 60 years old, north-west facing at 530m. Syrah, over 50 years old, south-west facing at 540m.

Soil: Argilo-calcaire (clay and limestone) and very stony.
Pruning method: Double cordon de Royat, 6 shoots per cordon.

VINEYARD MANAGEMENT

No synthetic treatments, to ensure health of vines and soil. Certified BeeFriendly and HVE 3 sustainable viticulture (highest tier).