



# CHÂTEAU CAPITOU



## GRAPE VARIETIES

- Syrah 70%
- Grenache 20%
- Carignan 10%

## APPELLATION

- AOP La Clape
- Red

## SOILS

- Limestone rock over a bed of black earth



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## CHÂTEAU CAPITOU RED OROS-LES PORTES VINEYARD

Château Capitoul, with its precious stone and pebble-strewn Mediterranean vineyard, is like a diamond in the rough set in the rolling hills of La Clape. With 62 ha under vine at the tip of the La Clape hill range, its terroir is the appellation's most maritime. Its vineyard dates back to the 14th century, when it was farmed under the aegis of Narbonne Cathedral, which gave the Château its name. In 2015, La Clape entered the select group of Languedoc fine wines, joining the collection of prestigious, internationally renowned French appellations.

### VINEYARD SITE

Ideally located amidst Languedoc's largest national park, Château Capitoul's vineyard is farmed sustainably. Blessed by OROS, the gods of the mountains, Château Capitoul shows incredibly diverse site-expressiveness. The highest block in our vineyard, Les Portes soars skyward. It is home to rich, complex soils of limestone rock over a bed of black earth that is unique to the La Clape hill range.



### WINEMAKING

Harvested by night, with double sorting in the vineyards and on arrival at the winery. Made from Syrah, Grenache and old-vine Carignan. Low yields (35hl/ha) produce maximum concentration. Long skin-contact maceration at controlled temperatures. The wine is then aged in French oak barrels for 12 months. After bottling, the wine is stored for at least 1 year in a cellar.

### TASTING NOTES

Deep cherry-red in colour, Les Portes is a powerful, elegant wine with black fruit aromas that include blackcurrant, along with tapenade and flint lifted by a trace of juniper suffused by the bushes lining the vineyard block. It is full-bodied and concentrated with a lingering finish.

### THE SOMMELIER'S ADVICE

- **Food and wine pairings:** Marbled meat, baked camembert
- **Serving temperature:** 16-18°C
- **Ageing potential:** up to 6 years



## THE FIGUREHEAD OF LA CLAPE