

DOMAINE MOULIN- TACUSSEL

Châteauneuf-du-Pape

Founded early in the twentieth century by Robert Moulin's grandfather and father, by the time Baron Le Roy proposed his appellation for the region Moulin Tacussel had achieved charter status as one of Châteauneuf-du-Pape's "group of faithful and convinced supporters."

Today, Robert Moulin and his team craft a very traditional style of Châteauneuf-du-Pape, but one that is, to quote Robert Parker, "filled with character". Robert can in fact be seen shaking his head at some of what he sees as the outrages perpetrated on his appellation by some well meaning and enthusiastic young growers for whom the words "lavish" and "oak" go together. He would probably have the same reaction to some of his "critics"!



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Variety: *Grenache, Syrah (ca. 10%), Mourvedre (ca. 7%), and a small amount of Cinsault, with a 70+ average age of vines.*

Total acreage: *18 acres*

Average production: *3,000 cs.*

Vinificatory details: *2-3 weeks tank fermentation, aging in large ovals (fudres).*

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"The dark ruby-colored 1999 exhibits a big, sweet nose of ripe cherries mixed with mincemeat, pepper, and balsam wood. Medium-bodied, soft, richly fruity with excellent purity, it will drink well for 7-8 years. 87."

"2000 offers aromas of cedar, tobacco, spice box, currants, and kirsch liqueur. It should drink well for 10-12 years. 88-89."

Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate

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