

# DOMAINE DES RELAGNES

Châteauneuf-du-Pape

Henri Boiron has not yet achieved the notoriety of his cousin Henri, proprietor of Le Bosquet des Pape, but he has established himself in our hearts as the man to go to for value. And not only are Relagnes Châteauneufs highly affordable, they are also infectiously drinkable. They were also at one time a tad light, but that has changed in recent years. Now we have wines of real richness, but approachable, berryish fruit and mild tannins.

Relagnes's acreage is scattered across the appellation in soils sandy or stony, exposures north-west or south-east, all coming together to inform a wine that represents the best possible calling card for the Châteauneuf-du-Pape appellation.

Nowadays, Boiron blends two different cuvées, with the "cuvée vigneronne" usually receiving a more generous portion of Syrah and possessing a bit more stamina for the cellar.



Rhône

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Varieties: *Grenache, with 5-7% Mourvedre, 10-20% Syrah; Cinsault, Counoise and Terret Noir (!) in much smaller quantities. plus a tiny bit of white for blanc. Average age of vines is 60+.*

Total acreage: 32 acres

Average production: 5,500 cs.

Vinificatory details: *Only the Syrah is destemmed. After maceration of 10-14 days in tank the wines rest in large old fûdres.*

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