

Château de Fonsalette

Côtes-du-Rhône Blanc



ABOUT THE ESTATE

- Currently run by Emmanuel Reynaud, Château de Fonsalette was founded by the legendary Louis Reynaud in 1945.
- Just outside the Châteauneuf-de-Pape appellation, these first-class Côtes-du-Rhône are treated with the same care and respect as their neighbors.
- Limited to just three wines, a blanc, a rouge and a 100% Syrah, these are some of the best and most in-demand wines in Côtes-du-Rhône, defying what can sometimes be seen as a humble appellation status.
- Biodiversity is cherished at this 120-hectare estate, of which only 12 hectares are planted to vine. The rest of the land holds olive trees, woodlands, and other types of agriculture.
- Emmanuel's wines, whether they are from Fonsalette, Rayas, or des Tours, all hold the same signature complexity, depth, and meaningful nature. Château de Fonsalette defies its appellation.

APPELLATION

Côtes-du-Rhône

SUB-REGION

Southern Rhône

GRAPE VARIETY

80% Grenache Blanc, 10% Clairette, 10% Marsanne

FARMING

Organic

SOIL

Gravel, red galet stone and sandy

VINEYARDS & VITICULTURE

In 1945, Louis Reynaud of Château Rayas purchased Château Fonsalette near the village of Lagarde-Paréol. The estate comprises 121 hectares, 12 of which are planted to vineyards. This wine is composed of Grenache Blanc (planted in 1957-1972), Clairette (planted in 1950s-1967) and Marsanne (planted in 1978, 1980-1987).

HARVEST & VINIFICATION

The grapes are manually harvested. They are then fermented in old oak casks with native yeast for three months, followed by stainless steel for aging 11 months.

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME

13.5

PACK SIZE

12x750mL