Château de Fonsalette

Côtes-du-Rhône Syrah



ABOUT THE ESTATE

- Currently run by Louis Damien and Benoît 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-Rhônes 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.
- The Reynaud family'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
100% Syrah

FARMING
Organic

SOIL
Gravel, pebbles and sand

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. The grapes for this wine come from vines were planted in 1944-1948, and 1987.

HARVEST & VINIFICATION
Syrah is harvested and vinified separately in old foudres. The whole bunches are then crushed, fermented for 10 days with native yeast and daily pumping over. The wine is aged for three months in enamel vats, then aged for 12 months in old liter casks - 450 Liter casks. Bottled unfined and unfiltered.

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME
14.0

PACK SIZE
12x750mL