2021

VAL DES ROIS
LE PETIT ROY
CÔTES DU RHÔNE

🍷 **CATEGORY:** Unexpected Reds

OVERVIEW

Val des Rois was planted in 1965 by 9th generation Burgundian winemaker Romain Bouchard in the village of Valréas, the most northern Village in the Cotes-Du-Rhone. The 10-hectare gravity-fed estate is one of very few hillside vineyard sites in Valréas, is certified organic in farming, and emphasizes low intervention through indigenous yeast and no filtration. Val des Rois, or 'Valley of the King', represents vibrant and energetic wines by legendary winemaker Stéphane Vedeau, who also owns Clos Bellane and J. Boutin.

50% Grenache, 50% Syrah
Valréas, Southern Rhône
14% Alc by Vol

Newly Released Vintage
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VINTAGE

RAINFALL: 30 inches/year.
BLOOM: Early June
HARVEST: September 22

SITE

The Domaine's vines are grown on exposed south & southeast hillsides with soils of clay and stone. The vineyeards are fed only with manure compost from sheepfold and conduits in accordance with the specifications of Organic Agriculture. Trestling and natural grassing promote maturity and aromatic expression.

ELEVATION: 1,312 ft.
SOILS: Clay-limestone
AGE OF VINES: 40 years
YIELDS: 2 tons per acre

⭐ Paris

FRANCE

Southern Rhône

Pack Size: 12/750ml
UPC: 835603003710

TASTING NOTES

Intense garnet color with aromas of black cherry, blueberry and chocolate. Great balance between freshness and power with finessed tannins.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

A great pairing with game meats like venison, elk or lamb. Try with roasted rack of lamb, bbq pork or grilled portabella mushrooms.

WINEMAKING & TECHNICAL DATA

FERMENTATION: Val des Rois uses gravity-fed tanks to respect the integrity of the grapes. All the vinification is carried out without adding sulphites before bottling, leading to rates of very low SO2.

The Grenache maceration is fairly short and slightly longer for the Syrah to obtain the right tannins.

AGING: Aged in concrete for 1 year before bottling. No use of oak.

PH: 3.6 | **TA:** 3 gH2SO4/L

BOTTLING DATE: March 2023