

VIRANEL

2019 Trilogie Rouge, IGP Pays d'OC Languedoc-Roussillon

FRANCE

ABOUT THE PRODUCER

The Bergasse family vineyard covers 98 acres of sustainably farmed vines. Preservation and careful cultivation of the terroir is tantamount here. The property has been in the family since 1551 - nearly five centuries. Brothers Nicholas and Arnaud Bergasse handle all winery operations, following in the footsteps of their father and grandfather before them.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

The vineyards are situated on the limestone hills and ancient terraces overlooking the Vallée de l'Orb. Here the hot Mediterranean climate is tempered by the north wind - the Tramontane - that blows from the mountains of the Cévennes. Cool nights help Viranel's grapes ripen gently. Soil is made up of rounded pebbles.

Alicante Bouschet was planted in 1939.

Organic farming practices.

ABOUT THE WINE

33% Syrah / 33% Cabernet Franc / 33% Alicante Bouschet

Varietals are fermented separately. Short skin contact for Alicante to extract fruit and soft tannins. Longer maceration for Syrah and Cabernet. Gentle extraction by rack and return only. Matured in a combination of stainless steel and concrete tanks.

TASTING NOTES

Garnet with violet highlights. In the nose it has very persistent red fruit notes, ratified by a palate fresh with red currants, berries and plums. The finish showcases the caliber of these three varieties, with tannins that grip and bring structure to the final blend.

