

# CHÂTEAU DE NAGES - HERITAGE – RED – 2018



*This magical terroir gives naturally exuberant wines. Our family works this land to privilege its wines' freshness and balance. Its Rhone signature recalls the most prestigious appellations in the southern part of our beautiful valley.*

*In 2018 we were blessed with harvest conditions of cool and sunny weather, a perfect Mistral and very little humidity. As a result we brought in perfectly healthy grapes with an ideal maturity. Our reds are very aromatic with a beautiful freshness ample mouthfeel.*

**Terroir:** « Grès », rolled pebbles from the Rhône over iron-rich red clay rich. AOP Costières de Nîmes – Certified Organic

**Varietals :** 70% Grenache, 20% Mourvèdre & 10% Syrah

**Vinification :**

- certified organic farming with particular attention to soil health
- at veraison, manual pass to remove lateral shoots and “grapillons” (2nd generation grape clusters)
- manual harvest with sorting
- 1/3 whole cluster and 2/3 whole berries without adding SO2
- fermentation with native yeasts at 24°C and a warm maceration (28°C) for 20 days
- aging in French oak of 1/4 of the volume and in cement tank for the rest for 12 months

**Tasting notes :**

- *Appearance :* brilliant garnet
- *Nose :* lavish, complex array of ripe red berries (raspberry, cherry), pepper, oriental spices and aromatic herbs
- *Taste :* rich and balanced with a fine tannic grain, it reveals spices, licorice and minerality in a long elegant finish

**Accolades :**

(89-91) pts – *Jeb Dunnock*

**Aging potential :** enjoy now or cellar for 5 to 8 years.

**Food & wine pairing :** Serve at 60°F (16°C). Feel free to decant one hour before serving.



| cheeses | meats | garden      | herbs    | method | sauces    | desserts  |
|---------|-------|-------------|----------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| cheddar | lamb  | mushrooms   | thyme    | stew   | red fruit | chocolate |
| ewe's   | beef  | lentils     | mint     | roast  | wine      |           |
| munster | game  | red peppers | rosemary | grill  | tomato    |           |