

Mastrio

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Like the red Mastrio, this cuvée carries the estate's original name, which means "farm of three". Our plots of Carignan Noir also contain Carignan Blanc vines. In 2009, we were intrigued by the idea of vinifying them separately.

The aromatic profile and freshness of this micro-cuvée (2hL) was an instant delight, convincing us that a "great" Carignan Blanc was achievable! And so we began to search for this endangered variety... By chance, we found some plots of century-old specimens on our Carignan Noir's favourite hillside – they were practically abandoned, and due to be pulled up! We have since given them special care: severe pruning, moderate tilling, and organic plant-based fertiliser.

Abandoned because hard to cultivate, these plots of very late ripening vines, which make for wines of lively personality, have showed us that low yields combined with full maturity produce a different kind of wine, balancing mineral strength and a rounded mouthfeel.

The dominant traits of this wine are aromas of ripe citrus peel and small white flowers.

Serious ageing potential.



Variety: 85% Carignan Blanc, 15% Macabeu.

Vine age: 110 years and more.

Soil: Gneiss, stones; north-facing plots at 350m altitude.

Yield: 0.45L per vine.

Vinification: Grapes directly pressed, cold maceration, must settling, temperature-controlled fermentation at 16°C.

Maturing: 14 months in vats.

First cuvée in 2009.



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