



## Château l'Ermitage Red Costières de Nîmes Château l'Ermitage

*Château l'Ermitage was founded in the 11 century by the Eremites of Ste Cécile d'Estagel Abbey. It is situated on the pilgrimage route of Santiago de Compostella. The estate's total surface covers 80 hectares of sunny south facing vineyards, which benefit from the airy Mediterranean climate. Michel and Jérôme Castillon, the domain's owners, are counted amongst the Rhône valley's most dynamic and talented winegrowers. The work that they accomplish allows the grape to breathe out and the use of oak barrels for ageing is restricted as much as possible.*



Syrah 40% - Mourvèdre 40% - Grenache 20%



Saint-Gilles. South facing slopes of the Costières de Nîmes. The Costières de Nîmes are situated in the Rhône valley's most southern part, on the opposite bank of the Rhône with regards to Chateauneuf-du-Pape. Rolled Durance pebbles (the Durance river flowed through the valley well before the Rhône). Vines : 25 years old - 51 acres - 50 HI/Ha (2.5T/acre).



Cooling of the harvest (reduction of 60°F). 100% destemmed - Pre-fermentation period of 3 days to extract the anthocyanins and aromatic components. 4 delestages (rack and return) and thermoregulated fermentation.



6 months in a large concrete vat.



Fresh and very fruity. A "thirst-quenching" wine that is a little tannic but mellow.



Barbecue, T-bone steak, lamb chops, "cévenole" chitterlings sausage, matured cheeses.



To be drunk straight away or to be aged in the cellar.



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