2018 DE MENA CLANDESTINE BLANC

This is a wine of great balance, seemingly bright and fresh, but round and weighty at the same time. Aromas of fresh flowers, citrus fruits and honey, mix with a palate that is slightly honeyed, but with a strong mineral streak.

Vintage: 2018

Country: France

Region: Roussillon

Soil: Very Stony soils on high terraces.

Vineyard: De Mena Estate (Biodynamically Farmed)

Grape Varieties: 100% Maccabeu

Alcohol Content: 13.5%

Vinification: Grapes are crushed and allowed to rest on skins for at least a day before being pressed off. Fermentation is carried out with native yeast and the wine is allowed to rest in neutral barrel on its fine lees for 6 months. The minimalist amount of Sulphur is added at bottling.

De Mena [de MƎnƏ] is a Catalan term that means "by nature", indeed it is by nature that Sébastien Agelet crafts the beautiful wines of Domaine De Mena. Grape growing has a long tradition in Sébastien's family, his Great Grandfather, Grandfather, and Father have all worked the rugged vineyards around Paziols in the heart of the Pyrenees Mountains. It is with this family tradition in mind, along with a desire to create a legacy of his own that Sébastien decided to pull his family vineyards out of the local co-op and follow his own path, the path of nature, and thus De Mena was born.

Now only a couple of vintages in De Mena is creating some of the most exciting and talked about natural wines in all of France.

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