

Mourvèdre/Syrah

Les Enfants Terribles

Domaine: Mas Carlot

Cuvée: Les Enfants Terribles

Vintage: 2006

Producer: Nathalie Blanc-Marès

Website: <http://www.mascarlot.com/>

Variety: 50% Mourvèdre 50% Syrah

Country: France

Region: Costières de Nîmes

Background

The vineyards were planted in the 1950's and 1960's to the current varietals. The vines are trained using a system called Cordon de Royat, which helps maintain lower fruit production. Mas Carlot limits yields to around 45hl/ha, which is one-third below what the appellation allows. Nathalie likes to wait during harvest - picking late to obtain the maximum maturity for each grape varietal.

This Cuvée was created for the first time with the 2003 vintage. While in the cellar and talking about our little ones and how active and mischievous they are, "Les Enfants Terribles" was born. This is a selection of really good old vines Mourvèdre and Syrah. The Mourvèdre was aged in barrels for one year. This is a hearty wine with lots of spice and elegance. It unites plum and berry preserves with a raw meat character for an unforgettable juxtaposition. There are hints of herbs, cocoa powder and vanilla. For those of you who enjoy deeply flavored reds, which are wrapped in a lush texture...run, don't walk to buy this wine. Not much was made. This wine must be good...as it's named for Nathalie and Cyril's kids!

Review

(87-89) The Wine Advocate #178 - Robert Parker

"The 2006 Costières de Nîmes Les Enfants Terribles (a 50-50 blend of Mourvedre and Syrah) offers oodles of fruit along with superb purity and freshness, and a medium-bodied, savory, luscious personality. Enjoy it over the next 4-5 years.

This excellent estate in the Costières de Nîmes continues to turn out some superb bargain-priced wines that consumers should seek out for relief from increasingly higher prices as well as the weak dollar. The 2006 red wines all reveal zesty acidity, beautiful pure fruit, perhaps not the structure of the 2005s, but they are more friendly."

www.robertkacherselections.com

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Soil type: Cailloux

