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M. Chapoutier Côte-Rôtie La Mordorée is a powerful and refined Syrah, showcasing the elegance of the Côte-Rôtie terroir with a deep complexity and remarkable ageing potential.





Alcohol :12,50 % Composition: 100% Syrah

Cote Rotie La Mordoree 2021

Northern Rhône, France

Region and Vineyards

The **Côte-Rôtie La Mordorée** comes from vineyards located at the boundary of the **Côte Blonde**, one of the most prestigious areas in Côte-Rôtie. This region benefits from a **moderate continental climate** with ample sunshine and cooling breezes, perfect for the ripening of Syrah.

The soils are a blend of **chlorite and ferruginous mica-schists**, interspersed with **loess deposits and earth veins**, which contribute to the wine's mineral complexity and aromatic precision. The vines, averaging **over 60 years old**, are rooted deeply in these challenging terrains, yielding grapes of exceptional quality and concentration.

Winemaking

Harvesting is done **entirely by hand** to ensure only the best grapes are selected. The grapes are **fully destemmed** and fermented in **concrete tanks**, where **daily pump-overs** promote optimal extraction of color and tannins. The fermentation temperature is strictly maintained at **32°C**, and only the **free-run juice** is used, highlighting the wine's purity.

The wine is aged entirely in **225-liter oak barrels**, with a proportion of new oak, for **14 to 18 months**. This method enhances the wine's structure and complexity while preserving its elegant fruit and floral character.

Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Deep red, with an intense and vibrant hue.
- Aroma: Captivating notes of **raspberry** and **violet**, complemented by a predominant spiciness and nuances of **black olive**, **tapenade**, and **rosemary**.
- **Palate**: Ample and elegant, with a beautifully balanced structure. The wine's refined tannins and long finish highlight its remarkable quality and potential for ageing.





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Did you know?

The name **La Mordorée**, meaning "The Tawny One," symbolizes the shimmering golden-brown light reflected on the vines of Côte-Rôtie during sunset. This poetic imagery underscores the vineyard's unique position and enduring charm. According to legend, the Côte-Rôtie terroir was divided into **Côte Blonde** and **Côte Brune** by a lord for his two daughters, reflecting their personalities and appearances.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Roast Lamb with Garlic and Thyme**: The wine's spiciness and herbal nuances complement the earthy flavors of roasted lamb.
- Wild Boar Stew: The wine's structure and dark olive notes balance the richness of game meats.
- **Aged Comté or Beaufort Cheese**: The nutty and savory elements of these cheeses harmonize with the wine's floral and spiced profile.
- **Duck Breast with Black Olive Tapenade**: The wine's black olive and rosemary notes mirror the flavors of this classic Mediterranean dish.

Robert Parker (RP): 95 Points (2021)

Production of the 2021 Cote Rotie la Mordorée was down 60% to 70% because of frost, said Chapoutier. What vines managed to produce fruit did well, if this wine is any indication. Crushed stone and violets accent blueberries and raspberries on the nose, while the wine is medium to full-bodied, concentrated and ripe in the mouth. While intense, it's not as rich as some years, but it's packed with fruit and acidity on the long, silky finish.





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